Toronto metro
Your essential daily news | WEEKEND, MAY 29-31, 2015

SATURDAY,
MAY 30 ONLY!

THE REWARDS
YOU WANT

20x
faster

20x
THE SHOPPERS
OPTIMUM POINTS®
WHEN YOU SPEND $50
OR MORE† ON ALMOST
ANYTHING IN THE STORE.

FREE
feels good™

†See inside pages for details.

Visit shoppersdrugmart.ca to find a store nearest you.

SHOPPERS
DRUG MART

THE REWARDS YOU WANT

# 20x faster

20x THE SHOPPERS OPTIMUM POINTS®

## SATURDAY, MAY 30 ONLY

WHEN YOU SPEND $50 OR MORE† ON ALMOST ANYTHING IN THE STORE.

FREE feels good

# PLUS RED HOT SAVINGS SATURDAY, MAY 30 TO FRIDAY, JUNE 5

7.99 each

**BOOST**
MEAL REPLACEMENT SHAKES 6's
Selected Types

30% off*

**NEUTROGENA**
SKIN, ACNE or HAIR CARE PRODUCTS
Selected Types & Sizes

59¢ each

**LIFE BRAND**
FACIAL TISSUES (90's - 136's) or PAPER TOWEL (2 Roll)
Selected Types
Limit 6. After limit 89¢

3.99 each

**ROYALE** (6's) or
**KLEENEX** (3's - 6's) FACIAL TISSUE
Selected Types
Limit 4. After limit 4.99

14.99 each

**MOTRIN** PLATINUM MUSCLE & BODY (40's),
**TYLENOL** ARTHRITIS (170's)
CAPLETS or EXTRA STRENGTH
EZ TABS (200's)

12.99 each

**NEUTROGENA** or **AVEENO**
SUN CARE PRODUCTS
Selected Types & Sizes

25% off*

**AVÈNE**
SKIN CARE PRODUCTS
Selected Types & Sizes

1.99 each

**PEEK FREANS**
COOKIES
Selected Types & Sizes

24.99 each

**CLARITIN** (60's) or
**AERIUS** (30's - 40's) ALLERGY TABLETS
Selected Types
While quantities last. No rainchecks

6.99 each

**PANTENE**
HAIR CARE PRODUCTS
Selected Types & Sizes

6.99 each

**MAYBELLINE NEW YORK**
VOLUM'EXPRESS MASCARA, COLOR SENSATIONAL LIP COLOUR or
FIT ME MAKEUP PRODUCTS
Selected Types

6.99 each

**MAXWELL HOUSE** GROUND (925g) or
**FOLGERS** K-CUPS® COFFEE PODS
Selected Types & Sizes

14.99 each

**TENA** INCONTINENCE PRODUCTS
Selected Types & Sizes

**TENA** INCONTINENCE PADS or LINERS
Selected Types & Sizes - **6.99**

4.99 each

**HEAD & SHOULDERS** (400mL - 420mL),
**HERBAL ESSENCES** (700mL) or
**INFUSIUM** HAIR CARE PRODUCTS
Selected Types & Sizes

99¢ each

**NO NAME**
POTATO CHIPS (200g) or
CRISPS (142g - 150g)
Selected Types

10.99 each

**PAMPERS**
JUMBO DIAPERS,
TRAINING PANTS or WIPES
Selected Types & Sizes

Visit shoppersdrugmart.ca to find a store nearest you.

SHOPPERS DRUG MART

Prices and Shoppers Optimum Bonus Points® in effect from Saturday, May 30 until Friday, June 5, 2015 while quantities last. We reserve the right to limit quantities. *Our Regular Price. †Offer valid on Saturday, May 30, 2015 only. Points are issued according to the net pre-tax purchase total of eligible products after redemptions and discounts and before taxes using a valid Shoppers Optimum Card®. Excludes prescription purchases, Shoppers Optimum Bonus Points®, RBC® Shoppers Optimum® MasterCard® points and points associated with the RBC® Shoppers Optimum Banking Account, products that contain codeine, non-pointable items, tobacco products (where applicable), lottery tickets, passport photos, stamps, transit tickets and passes, event tickets, gift cards, prepaid phone cards, prepaid card products and Shoppers Home Health Care® locations. Offer applies to photofinishing services that are picked up and paid for on the day of the offer only. Not to be used in conjunction with any other Shoppers Optimum Points® promotions or offers. See cashier for details. ® 911979 Alberta Ltd.

THE REWARDS YOU WANT

# 20x faster

PLUS

# 1 DAY SALE

20x THE SHOPPERS OPTIMUM POINTS®

## SATURDAY, MAY 30 ONLY

WHEN YOU SPEND $50 OR MORE† ON ALMOST ANYTHING IN THE STORE.

FREE feels good

## Saturday, May 30 Only!

3.49 EACH

**COCA-COLA** or **PEPSI**
BEVERAGES 12 x 355mL
Selected Types
Limit 4. After limit 3.99
**Rest of Week 3.99**

2/4.50

**COCA-COLA** or **PEPSI**
BEVERAGES 6 x 710mL
Selected Types
or 2.99 each. Limit 4
**Rest of Week 2.99**

3.99 EACH

12 = 24 Rolls

**ROYALE**
BATHROOM TISSUE 9 Roll - 12 Roll
Selected Types
Limit 4. After limit 4.99
**Rest of Week 4.99**

30% OFF*

**LIFE BRAND**
VITAMIN B or MULTIVITAMIN PRODUCTS
Selected Types & Sizes
**Rest of Week 25% off***

20.99 EACH

**HUGGIES**
SUPER BOXED DIAPERS or TRAINING PANTS
Selected Types & Sizes
Limit 4. After limit 22.99
**Rest of Week 22.99**

88¢ EACH

**G-U-M** MANUAL TOOTHBRUSH (1's), **AQUAFRESH** (90mL) or **COLGATE** TOTAL (60mL - 75mL) TOOTHPASTE
Selected Types
Excludes Premium. Limit 4. After limit 99¢
**Rest of Week 99¢**

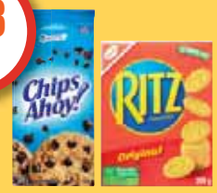
30% OFF*

**BALÉA, LIFE BRAND**
SKIN, SUN or ACNE CARE PRODUCTS
Selected Types & Sizes
**Rest of Week 20% off***

3.88 EACH

**VO5** HOT OIL (3 x 14mL), **TRESEMMÉ** or **ALBERTO** HAIR CARE PRODUCTS
Selected Types & Sizes
Limit 4. After limit 3.99
**Rest of Week 3.99**

1.88 EACH



**CHRISTIE**
COOKIES or CRACKERS
Selected Types & Sizes
Limit 4. After limit 2.29
**Rest of Week 2.29**

1.88 EACH

**LAY'S**
POTATO CHIPS 180g
Selected Types
Limit 4. After limit 2.99
**Rest of Week 2.99**

4.99 EACH

**BOUNTY**
PAPER TOWELS 6 Roll
Limit 4. After limit 5.99
**Rest of Week 5.99**

3.99 EACH

**CHEER** (1.47L), **GAIN** (1.45L - 1.47L) LIQUID LAUNDRY DETERGENT or **SNUGGLE** (1.47L) FABRIC SOFTENER
Selected Types
Limit 4. After limit 4.99
**Rest of Week 4.99**

1.99 EACH

**DOVE** BAR SOAP (2 x 113g), **RIGHT GUARD** PREMIUM (60g - 157g) or **SOFT & DRI** (65g - 67g) ANTIPERSPIRANT/DEODORANT Selected Types
Limit 4. After limit 2.99
**Rest of Week 2.99**

## Available at food store locations only

1.88 EACH

**GRADE "A"**
LARGE WHITE EGGS 1 Dozen
Limit 2. After limit 2.29
**Rest of Week 2.29**

2.99 EACH

**PURE LEAF** ICED TEA, **OASIS** (1.75L) or **TROPICANA** BEVERAGES
Selected Types & Sizes
Limit 4. After limit 3.49
**Rest of Week 3.49**

89¢ EACH

**NEILSON** CHOCOLATE MILK (750mL) or **SUNNY D** CITRUS PUNCH (1.3L)
Selected Types
Limit 4. After limit 99¢
**Rest of Week 99¢**

2.99 EACH

**MAPLE LEAF**
BACON 375g
Limit 2. After limit 3.99
**Rest of Week 3.99**

1.88 EACH

**WONDER**
ENGLISH MUFFINS (6's), HOT DOG, HAMBURGER BUNS (8's), WHITE or WHOLE WHEAT BREAD (675g) Selected Types
Limit 4. After limit 1.99
**Rest of Week 1.99**

Visit shoppersdrugmart.ca to find a store nearest you.

SHOPPERS DRUG MART

**Rest of Week Pricing in Effect Sunday, May 31 to Friday, June 5, 2015.** While quantities last. We reserve the right to limit quantities. *Our Regular Price. †Offer valid on Saturday, May 30, 2015 only. Points are issued according to the net pre-tax purchase total of eligible products after redemptions and discounts and before taxes using a valid Shoppers Optimum Card®. Excludes prescription purchases, Shoppers Optimum Bonus Points®, RBC® Shoppers Optimum® MasterCard® points and points associated with the RBC® Shoppers Optimum Banking Account, products that contain codeine, non-pointable items, tobacco products (where applicable), lottery tickets, passport photos, stamps, transit tickets and passes, event tickets, gift cards, prepaid phone cards, prepaid card products and Shoppers Home Health Care® locations. Offer applies to photofinishing services that are picked up and paid for on the day of the offer only. Not to be used in conjunction with any other Shoppers Optimum Points® promotions or offers. See cashier for details. ® 911979 Alberta Ltd.

Check out some of the reasons why Nissan is

# THE FASTEST GROWING AUTOMOTIVE BRAND IN CANADA

Based on full-line brands, on 12 month, year over year rolling unit sales

NISSAN
Innovation that excites

## HURRY OUR BIGGEST MAY EVENT ENDS MAY 31ST

## · MAY · BONUS DAYS · SALES EVENT

FINANCE† OR LEASE≠ FOR AS LOW AS **0%** APR ON ALTIMA 2.5 FOR UP TO 60 MONTHS TERM

**PLUS**

FOR **MAY ONLY** GET UP TO AN **ADDITIONAL** **$1,000**± BONUS CASH ON TOP OF OFFERS ON SENTRA, ALTIMA, JUKE®, PATHFINDER, ROGUE & SELECT MICRA® MODELS

SL AWD Premium model shown▲

### 2015 NISSAN ROGUE

**AVAILABLE FEATURES INCLUDE:**

- Intuitive All-Wheel Drive
- Nissan Safety Shield with Forward Collision Warning
- Around View Monitor with 360° Birds' Eye View

MONTHLY LEASE≠ FROM **$255** WITH **$0** DOWN AT **1.99%** APR FOR **60** MONTHS

THAT'S LIKE PAYING ONLY **$59**• WEEKLY ON ROGUE S FWD

INCLUDES **$1,000** MAY BONUS CASH±

1.8 SL model shown▲

### 2015 NISSAN SENTRA

**AVAILABLE FEATURES INCLUDE:**

- 17-inch Aluminum Alloy Wheels
- Standard Bluetooth Handsfree Phone System
- Heated Front Seats and Push Button Ignition

MONTHLY LEASE≠ FROM **$158** WITH **$0** DOWN AT **0.9%** APR FOR **60** MONTHS

THAT'S LIKE PAYING ONLY **$36**• WEEKLY ON SENTRA 1.8 S MT

INCLUDES **$1,000** MAY BONUS CASH±

SR AT model shown▲

### 2015 NISSAN MICRA®

**SAFETY COMES STANDARD:**

- Nissan Advanced Airbag System (6 airbags)
- Vehicle Dynamic Control (VDC)
- Traction Control System (TCS)

STARTING FROM **$9,998**• ON MICRA® 1.6 S MT

OR

FINANCE† FROM **0%** APR FOR **60** MONTHS ON MICRA® SR MT

**PLUS** **$500** MAY BONUS CASH± ON MICRA SV OR SR TRIMS

## CURRENT NISSAN OWNERS QUALIFY FOR UP TO **AN ADDITIONAL $1,000†† LOYALTY CASH** ON SELECT MODELS

VISIT CHOOSENISSAN.CA OR YOUR LOCAL RETAILER

**•Equivalent lease payments of $59/$36 on the 2015 Rogue/2015 Sentra must be made on a monthly basis and cannot be made weekly. Weekly lease payments are for informational purposes only.** ±The $500/$1,000/$1,000 additional cash discount offer is valid on the purchase financing or lease (at inception) of all new 2015 Micra SV and SR trims/Sentra/Rogue. $500/$1,000/$1,000 is comprised of $350/$750/$700 NCF cash and $150/$250/$300 deaelr participation. Offer is available to eligible customers for a limited time from May 1 – June 1, 2015 on approved credit only. Offer is based on stackable trading dollars. The discount will be deducted from the negotiated selling price before taxes. Applicable to Nissan Canada Finance (NCF) contracts only through subvented and standard NCF finance rates or subvented NCF lease rates. Not combinable with fleet discounts and not applicable to cash purchase buyers. Offer not eligible for program protection. Certain conditions apply. †Representative finance offer based on a new 2015 Micra SR MT (S5SG55 AA10) transmission. Selling Price is $17,039 financed at 0% APR equals 60 monthly payments of $284 for a 60 month term. $0 down payment required. Cost of borrowing is $0 for a total obligation of $17,039. This offer cannot be combined with any other offer. Conditions apply. $500 Cash bonus included in advertised offers applicable only on the 2015 Micra SR MT (S5SG55 AA10) transmission. ≠Representative monthly lease offer based on any new 2015 Rogue S FWD (Y6RG15 AA00)/2015 Sentra 1.8 S M6 (C4LG55 AA00)/2015 Altima 2.5 CVT Transmission (T4LG15 AA00). 1.99%/0.9%/0% lease APR for a 60/60/60 month term equals monthly payments of $255/$158/$240 with $0 down payment, and $0 security deposit are due at lease inception. Prices and payments include freight and fees. Lease based on a maximum of 20,000 km/year with excess charged at $0.10/km. Total lease obligation is $15,319/$9,486/$14,370. These offers are only valid from May 1 – June 1, 2015. Dealer order/trade may be necessary. $1,000/$1,000/$1,000 cash bonus included in advertised offers applicable only on the 2015 Rogue S FWD (Y6RG15 AA00)/2015 Sentra 1.8 S M6 (C4LG55 AA00)/2015 Altima 2.5 CVT Transmission (T4LG15 AA00). Conditions apply. ▲Models shown $36,732/$26,099/$18,539 Selling price for a new 2015 Rogue SL AWD Premium (Y6DG15 BK00)/2015 Sentra 1.8 SL (C4TG15 AA00)/2015 Micra® 1.6 SR 4AT (S5SG75 AE00). •$9,998 MSRP price for a new 2015 Nissan Micra® 1.6 S, MT (S5LG55 AA10) Conditions apply. ≠•†▲Freight and PDE charges ($1,750/$1,567/$1,567) air-conditioning levy ($100) where applicable, applicable fees (all which may vary by region), manufacturer's rebate and dealer participation where applicable are included. License, registration, insurance and applicable taxes are extra. Lease offers are available on approved credit through Nissan Canada Finance for a limited time, may change without notice and cannot be combined with any other offers except stackable trading dollars. Retailers are free to set individual prices. Dealer order/trade may be necessary. Vehicles and accessories are for illustration purposes only. Offers, prices and features subject to change without notice. Offers valid between May 1 – June 1, 2015. ††The Nissan Loyalty Offer ("Offer") is available only to eligible customers who (as of February 1, 2015) lease/leased, finance/financed or own/owned a 2009 or newer Nissan brand vehicle (an "Existing Vehicle"). Eligibility for the Offer will be determined by Nissan Canada Inc. ("NCI") in its sole discretion. Proof of current or previous ownership/lease/finance contract will be required. Offer is not transferrable or assignable, except to a co-owner/co-leasee of the Existing Vehicle who resides within the same household as the intended recipient of the Offer. If the eligible customer elects to lease or finance a new and previously unregistered model year 2015 and 2016 Nissan brand vehicle (excluding NV, Fleet and daily rentals) (an "Eligible New Vehicle") through NCI and Nissan Canada Financial Services Inc. (collectively "NCF"), then he/she will receive a specified amount of stackable loyalty dollars ("Loyalty Dollars"), as follows: (i) Micra/Versa/Sentra ($500); (ii) Juke/Altima/Rogue ($600); (iii) Frontier/Xterra/Leaf/Murano/Pathfinder ($800); and (iv) Maxima/Z/Titan, Armada/GT-R ($1000). Loyalty Dollars are inclusive of all GST/HST/QST/PST as applicable. Alternatively, if the eligible customer elects to purchase or lease/finance an Eligible New Vehicle (excluding GT-R) other than through NCF, then he/she will receive a three-year/48,000 kilometer (whichever comes first) Oil Change and Tire Rotation Plan which consists of a maximum of 6 service visits, each consisting of 1 oil change (using conventional 5W30 motor oil) and 1 tire rotation. For complete details on the Oil Change and Tire Rotation Plan, ask your dealer. Offer has no cash redemption value and can be combined with other offers. Offer valid on Eligible New Vehicles purchased/leased/financed and delivered between May 1, 2015 and July 31, 2015. Conditions apply. Model(s) shown for illustration purposes only. Offer subject to change or cancellation without notice. While quantities last. Ask your dealer or visit www.nissan.ca for complete details. Nissan names, logos and slogans are trademarks owned by or licensed to Nissan Motor Co. Ltd. and/or its North American subsidiaries. ©2015 Nissan Canada Inc. All rights reserved. For more information see IIHS.org. ALG is the industry benchmark for residual values and depreciation data, www.alg.com. Offers subject to change, continuation or cancellation without notice. Offers have no cash alternative value. See your participating Nissan retailer for complete details. ©2015 Nissan Canada Inc. Nissan Financial Services Inc. is a division of Nissan Canada Inc.

**JUST A FLICK?**
**THE SCARY SCIENCE BEHIND SAN ANDREAS**
metroLIFE

# Toronto metro

Your essential daily news | WEEKEND, MAY 29-31, 2015 | High 27°C/Low 17°C More sun


**WESTWOOD TO POPE FRANCIS: IT'S EMBARRASSING BEING CATHOLIC**
metroVIEWS

**LET THE FLAMES BEGIN**
**PANAM TORCH HEADS FOR TORONTO**
metroNEWS

# Mom, baby kicked off plane

AIR TRAVEL

## Son's crying led to ejection, says Walk Off the Earth singer

Walk Off the Earth singer Sarah Blackwood says she wants compensation and an apology after being kicked off a United Airlines flight because her young child was being fussy.

The Burlington-based musician, who is seven months pregnant, said it happened on Wednesday while she and her nearly two-year-old son, Giorgio, were on a United plane operated by regional carrier SkyWest Airlines.

They were on the tarmac ready to fly from San Francisco to Vancouver. Her son is still considered an infant by the airline's standards and therefore was able to sit in her lap free of charge.

**Burlington singer Sarah Blackwood and son Giorgio.** INSTAGRAM

Before leaving the gate, her son was tired and was "crying really loud and squirming," said Blackwood.

That's when a flight attendant told her: "You have to control your child."

"The only thing I can do to stop him from moving around is hold him with my arms, which was what I was doing," Blackwood said in a phone interview on Thursday.

"I said, 'OK, yeah, absolutely.' ... I would never refuse to do anything on an airplane," she added, noting she's on tour with the band and frequently flies to perform.

"I don't want to cause a scene, ever. It just makes my life harder."

Blackwood said she was in a window seat and apologized to the man sitting beside her.

"The flight attendant came back up to me again and told me that if I couldn't control my child, they would ask me to leave the plane," she said.

"I didn't really know what she meant by 'control my child.' I mean, he's not an animal; you can't sedate children.

"I had him in my lap and he was screaming, he was loud, but I had him in my lap and I was holding on to him."

Blackwood said Giorgio cried for about seven minutes and fell asleep as they were taxiing on the runway. But before takeoff, the plane returned to the gate.

Blackwood said when they got to the gate, an airline representative asked her to leave the flight.

"At this point I was in tears but I just said, 'OK,'" she said.

"As I was leaving, there were a few passengers that stood up and said, 'This is ridiculous.'

"I actually had one lady on the flight gather some emails for me of the other passengers, and while she was doing that they also threatened to kick her off the plane.''

SkyWest said the airline made the decision to remove Blackwood and her child from the flight "based solely on safety concerns." THE CANADIAN PRESS

# LOOK WHAT'S LESS

*FRIDAY, MAY 29 TO SUNDAY, MAY 31*

## $29.99 STYLE&CO.

Dresses and skirts. Reg. $54 to $79

**35% off** fashion by **STYLE&CO., KAREN SCOTT, HAGGAR, CHAPS, RUBY RD. and ALLISON DALEY.**

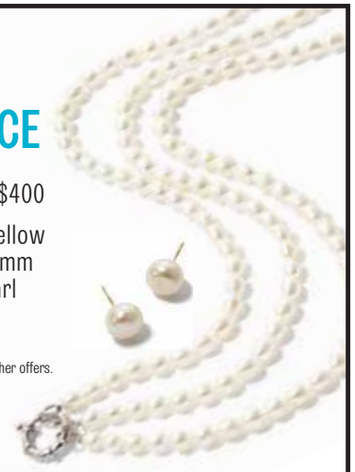
See below for exclusions.

## $99.99 NECKLACE

3-strand pearl necklace. Reg. $400

**$49.99** 14 kt. yellow gold and 7-7.5 mm freshwater pearl stud earrings. Reg. $175

Cannot be combined with other offers.



## BUY 1, GET 1 50% OFF BRAS

by **WARNER'S, BALI** and more.

See below for details.

## 25% OFF DOCKERS

Casual clothes for men.

Featured:
The Perfect Work Shirt.
Reg. $45 Sale $33.75
Alpha Khaki pants.
Reg. $75 Sale $56.25
See below for exclusions.

## $49.99 HAMILTON BEACH

*NEW* stainless steel 6-slice toaster oven. After sale $69.99

## $79.99 HAMILTON BEACH

*NEW* Flexbrew single-serve coffee maker. After sale $99.99

**15% off** all other small appliances by **HAMILTON BEACH, OSTER, CROCK-POT** and **SUNBEAM**.

*the* SUMMER SHOE SALE

UP TO 50% OFF *WOMEN'S SHOES*

In our footwear department. Off our original prices. Prices as ticketed. Some exclusions apply. Selection varies by store. See store for details.

## ESTÉE LAUDER 7-piece Gift

*Exclusively ours*

**FREE: Choose your gift with any ESTÉE LAUDER skin care or foundation purchase of $42.50 or more.*** *Ends June 4, 2015*

*Before taxes. While quantities last. Limited quantities. One gift to a customer.

# HUDSON'S BAY

SHOP THEBAY.COM

Savings for all offers are off our regular prices, unless otherwise specified. **Women's fashion** excludes New Fall Arrivals. **Style&Co. dresses and skirts** exclude Plus Sizes, SS15 May and items with 99¢ price endings. **Karen Scott** exclude SS15 May and items with 99¢ price endings. **Chaps** excludes CHP ACT II, CHP CLS II, CHP SPWR II, all full-length denim jeans and items with 99¢ price endings. **Allison Daley** excludes Fall Trans, Cool Blues, Denim Red and items with 99¢ price endings. **Haggar** excludes group Panama and items with 99¢ price endings. **Men's Dockers** excludes items with 99¢ price endings. **Ruby Rd.** excludes Groups Au Natural, Good Sport and items with 99¢ price endings. **Buy 1, Get 1 Bras:** Second item must be of equal or lesser value; Off our regular prices; Includes Warner's, Bali, Olga, Maidenform, Triumph and DKNY; **Warner's, Bali, Olga and Maidenform** exclude Warner's boxed bras and item with 99¢ price endings; **Triumph and DKNY** exclude '3-for panty' offers and items with 99¢ price endings.

metro NEWS

Your essential daily news

Canadian morels are prized morsels for chefs. **Business**

# Relationship in full bloom

DUTCH ROYAL VISIT

## King, queen to thank T.O. with flower-like 'Tulpi' chairs

Nestling into a tulip is perfectly natural for fictional woodland creatures, Anne Geddes babies, and bees.

By Friday evening, fully grown Torontonians can also experience the whimsy — now with ergonomic lower back support — thanks to a gift from the Netherlands.

King Willem-Alexander and Queen Maxima will visit the Toronto Islands as part of an official state visit to present seven orange "Tulpi" chairs to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Liberation of the Netherlands.

> **"Holland and Canada have a special relationship.**
> Maya Limbertie

More than 7,600 Canadian soldiers died in the nine-month campaign at the end of the Second World War, and 234,000 Dutch citizens died during the German occupation.

The bond between the two countries has always been special, and the royal couple is using the state visit, which began in Ottawa on Wednesday to thank Canada for its "contribution to 70 years of peace and freedom in the Netherlands and Europe."

Much like a real flower, the Tulpi chair owes its existence to the insistent rain of the Netherlands: Dutch designer Marco Manders was tired of sitting on wet and dirty benches.

"I thought, why can't you invent a seat or a chair like in the cinema that folds out, and folds up," he asks from Utrecht. "And what's a nice shape? The tulip shape."

At the Centre Island ferry dock, the seats are poised for the unparalleled view of Toronto's skyline. When not in use, they look like giant tulips on stainless steel stems. When you pull on the polyethylene petal, the seat folds out.

While wooden shoes and porcelain houses have long been popular Dutch gifts, Manders says, the government wanted something different and contacted him in 2012, after seeing one of his chairs.

"Like the real tulips, most of them are going for export to other countries," he says, counting 20 pieces in his home country, and 450 in other countries like Russia, Japan and Australia.

Ottawa, a city that was given 100,000 tulip bulbs in 1945 in appreciation for hosting exiled royal family members during the war, already has several of the tulip chairs in its airport.

On Thursday, Toronto's bulbous orange pods were covered in a gauze wrapping, waiting for their unveiling. Curious island visitors poked around.

Maya Limbertie noticed the flowers from the ferry. Limbertie, who is Dutch, had heard about the chairs and made a special trip.

"I love Dutch culture," she says. "I just hope people respect them and understand what they are," she said.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

**Seven Tulpi chairs, like the ones above, will be given to Toronto by the Dutch royal couple to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the liberation of the Netherlands by the Canadian Army in the Second World War.** CONTRIBUTED

**Before arriving in Toronto, Their Majesties King Willem-Alexander and Queen Maxima toured a greenhouse in Beamsville on Thursday.** AARON LYNETT/THE CANADIAN PRESS

**The chairs, created by Dutch designer Marco Manders, are already installed near the Centre Island ferry docks and will be unveiled Friday in a ceremony involving the Dutch royal couple and Mayor John Tory.** KATIE DAUBS/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## GIFTS TO TORONTO THE UNUSUAL WORLD OF INTERNATIONAL TRIBUTES TO AN INTERNATIONAL CITY

**1859 — Say it with cannons**
To commemorate British military success in the Crimean war, Queen Victoria presented two cannons, captured in battle, to Toronto. The cannons were initially placed at the south of the park, but now sit at the entrance of the legislature.

**1959 — Floral tribute**
To give thanks to Toronto for taking in Japanese-Canadian refugees after the Second World War, then-Japanese ambassador Toru Hagiwara presented 2,000 Japanese cherry blossom trees on behalf of the citizens of Tokyo. The trees were planted in High Park.

**1969 — Regifting old King**
After their independence from Britain, India decided to get rid of a few colonial knick-knacks, including this five-tonne statute of King Edward VII on horseback. Toronto insurance executive Harry Jackman paid to have it shipped to Toronto. It now resides at Queen's Park.

**2015 Rav4****

$1,500 CASH REBATE

All In Lease **$125 @ 1.99%**

All In Finance **$160 @ 2.99%**

All In Price **$26,229**

2015 DEALER OF THE YEAR — TOYOTA CANADA

2015 DEALER OF THE YEAR — TOYOTA ONTARIO

**2015 Corolla***

$1,500 CASH REBATE UP TO $500 LEASE ASSIST

All In Lease **$75 @ 0.99%**

All In Finance **$100 @ 0.99%**

All In Price **$17,589**

## CHOOSE 1 OF 3 OPTIONS:

- 2 YEAR FREE MAINTENANCE PACKAGE
- $500 GAS CARD
- $500 ACCESSORY PACKAGE

## MAY 28TH, MAY 29TH & MAY 30TH HURRY IN!

**3 DAY sales EVENT**

ALWAYS OPEN AT toyotaonthepark.ca

1077 LESLIE ST., TORONTO, ON (Leslie & Eglinton) 1-888-475-7346

TOYOTA On the Park

*Corolla CE: [1]All in lease payment is semi-monthly for 60 months with $1550 down payment. Includes freight and fees, HST extra. 2015 Camry LE: All in Lease payment is semi-monthly for 60 months with $2050 down payment when you apply the $500 customer inventive. Includes freight and fees, HST extra. All in Finance is Bi-Weekly. Cash rebate only available on cash purchases. LE, S and LE ECO models only. Rebate does not apply to FWD LE models. *Rav4 LE FWD: [1]All in lease payment is semi-monthly for 60 months with $1750 down payment. Includes freight and fees, HST extra, $250 Lease assist. [2] All in finance payment is bi-weekly for 84 months, includes freight and fees, HST extra. [3] All in price includes freight and fees, HST extra. Cash rebate is only available on cash purchases. * [1] Offer applies on approved credit to retail customers who purchase and take delivery by May 31st, 2015. The first monthly payment will be deferred for 60 days (until the 90th day of the contract) and finance contracts will be extended accordingly. Interest charges will not accrue during the first 60 days of the contract. After 60 days, interest starts to accrue and the purchaser will repay principal and interest over the term of the contract

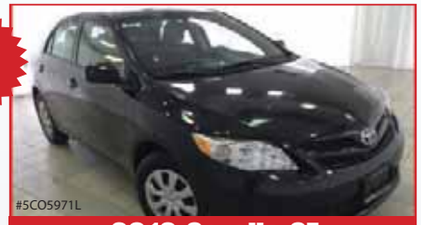
# TOYOTA On the Park SALE PRE-OWNED EVENT

**MAY 28th, MAY 29th & MAY 30th**
**9AM–6PM**

# 2 DAYS ONLY!

EVERYONE APPROVED![1]

2 to choose from '11-'12




**2012 Corolla CE**
Bi-Weekly 84 months **$118** | All in Price* **$15,834**

**2011 Rav4 AWD**
Bi-Weekly 72 months **$160** | All in Price* **$18,888**

**2010 Matrix Conv. Pkg.**
Bi-Weekly 60 months **$148** | All in Price* **$14,995**

3 to choose from '11-'12

**2012 Prius C Technology Pkg.**
Bi-Weekly 84 months **$148** | All in Price* **$19,865**

Interest rates starting at 1.9%*

**2011 Highlander Sport**
Bi-Weekly 72 months **$235** | All in Price* **$27,888**

**2012 Venza VE AWD Touring**
Bi-Weekly 72 months **$228** | All in Price* **$27,148**

**2012 4Runner SR5**
Bi-Weekly 84 months **$252** | All in Price* **$33,995**

**2012 Sienna XLE FWD**
Bi-Weekly 84 months **$229** | All in Price* **$30,995**

**2011 Avalon XLS**
Bi-Weekly 72 months **$194** | All in Price* **$22,995**

**2014 Avalon Limited**
Bi-Weekly 84 months **$280** | All in Price* **$37,798**

**2013 Prius**
Bi-Weekly 84 months **$170** | All in Price* **$22,995**

9 to choose from GAS AND HYBRID MODELS '09-'12

**2011 Camry Hybrid 'Moonroof Pkg'**
Bi-Weekly 72 months **$177** | All in Price* **$20,888**

5 to choose from '10-'12

**2012 Yaris CONV. PKG**
Bi-Weekly 72 months **$119** | All in Price* **$13,998**

**2014 Lexus IS250 F-Sport RWD**
Bi-Weekly 84 months **$295** | All in Price* **$39,995**

5 to choose from

**2011 Camry XLE**
Bi-Weekly 72 months **$172** | All in Price* **$20,288**

## 2014 INVENTORY BLOW OUT, AND 2015'S ARRIVING DAILY

1077 LESLI E ST.,
TO RONT O, ON
(Leslie & E glint on)
1-888-475-7346

TOYOTA On the Park

ALWA YS OPEN AT
toyotaonthepark.ca

*1.9% available on TCUV Corolla and Matrix, 24 month term, OAC. All bi weekly payments are at 4.99% interest and are all OAC. All in price is plus HST only. [1]Down payment, terms and interest rates will vary. OAC. Vehicles may not be exactly as shown. All vehicles were available at time of print. Prices and payments are plus tax. All dealer rebates, discounts, factory incentives, prices, and interest rates are subject to change or end without notice as new retail incentive programs are announced. Offers expire May 31st 2015. Cost of credit example: $20,000 x 72 months @4.99% = $365/mnth, cost of borrowing $3680.

# Let the flames begin

Saturday marks the official start of the 2015 Pan Am Games torch relay. After touching down in Toronto, the flame will begin a 41-day trek, visiting over 130 communities across Canada before returning to the city for the opening ceremonies on July 10. Three thousand people have been selected as torchbearers and will carry the flame — and its spirit — through their respective hometowns.

LUKE SIMCOE/METRO

**A member of the Aztec community carries the 2015 Pan Am Games torch during the official lighting ceremony in Teotihuacán, Mexico earlier this week.** CONTRIBUTED

**THE TORCH**

The 2015 Pan Am Games torch is made of aluminum and weighs a scant 1.2 kilograms. It can burn for between 10 and 12 minutes at a time and the flame can withstand winds up to 70 km/h. The torch has been designed so that the flame is visible under an array of weather conditions.

## Route Highlights

**During its 41-day journey, the torch will travel over 5,000 kilometres by road and roughly 15,000 kilometres by air. Here are some of the highlights of its trip:**

**May 30 – The torch arrives in Toronto.**
**June 4 – Algonquin Provincial Park**
**June 7 – Halifax**
**June 15 – The torch gets a travel break.**
**June 22 – Winnipeg**
**June 28 – Montreal**
**June 29 – Canadian Forces Base (CFB) Petawawa in Ontario**
**June 30 – Ottawa**
**July 3 – Calgary**
**July 4– The torch returns to Toronto.**
**July 10 – Opening day for the 2015 Pan Am Games**

### Lindsay Knowlton

A former member of Canada's national women's golf team, Lindsay Knowlton will be carrying the torch June 27 on its journey past the Angus Glen golf club in Markham.

"I feel so honoured to be able to carry the torch," she said.

Knowlton is especially thrilled to be a torchbearer for this year's games, as golf is making its Pan Am Games debut in 2015.

### Alejandro Vicente

Although he hails from Chile, Alejandro Vicente says carrying the torch is all about showing his Canadian pride.

"I'm 100 per cent Canadian," he told Metro.

Vicente will be carrying the torch July 8 as it makes its way through north Toronto.

The 43-year-old said he decided he wanted to be a torchbearer after attending the opening ceremonies of the 2010 Olympics in Vancouver.

### Connor Boyd

Connor Boyd is a track star at Northern Secondary School in Toronto.

He'll be one of the first people to hold the torch, and will be carrying on its trip through the Pan Am athlete's village on Saturday.

"I can't wait to welcome the world's top athletes to my hometown," the 16-year-old said.

"I'm quite nervous," he said. "But I'm also excited."

### Suzanne McWhinnie

Suzanne McWhinnie is a model torchbearer. The Richmond Hill teacher coaches soccer, speaks the Games' three official languages and has even visited Teotihuacán, the sacred Aztec site in Mexico where the torch is first lit. She'll be carrying the torch through Richmond Hill on June 25.

"I'm proud to bear the torch for my family, my students and the whole community," she said.

### Lynn Petruskavich

Oakville's Lynn Petruskavich sees the Pan Am Games as an opportunity to promote health and physical fitness across Ontario. She organizes a weekly bike or walk to school campaign and runs a monthly event celebrating healthy eating and exercise. She'll be carrying the torch through Oakville on June 23.

"I'm really grateful," she said. "It's a huge opportunity to inspire more people to prioritize their health."

**PAN AM GAMES PODIUM UNVEILED** The folks behind Pan Am pulled out all the stops Thursday as the official medal podium to be used during the games was unveiled. Two-time Olympic gold medallist Donovan Bailey was on hand for the event.
LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

# No sign of Portuguese

PAN AM GAMES

## Councillor wants culture represented

Luke Simcoe
Metro | Toronto

"Os Jogos estão chegando."

It's a simple phrase, but one that some in Toronto's Portuguese and Brazilian communities feel is missing from the recently unveiled 2015 Pan Am Games signs. With the countdown on, the Games' organizers have unveiled their official "The Games are Coming" signs. One of the billboards can be seen towering above Queen Street on the side of the Sheraton Hotel, and another has appeared on the Westin Hotel on Queen's Quay.

The signs greet visitors to the city in English, French and Spanish.

"I would have liked to have seen Portuguese on there as well," said Coun. Ana Bailão, whose ward includes Toronto's Little Portugal neighbourhood.

Bailão said Toronto is a popular destination for Brazilian tourists and exchange students and the signs should reflect that.

"By not having Portuguese, they're leaving out the largest South American participant in the Games (Brazil), that has more than 200 million people living in it," she added.

"The official languages of the Toronto 2015 Pan Am/Parapan Am Games are Spanish, French and English. There are plans to have some services in Portuguese closer to Games time," a spokesperson for the Games told Metro in an email.

Although she's not pleased by the snub, Bailão is confident the Games' organizers will have a sufficient number of Portuguese-speaking volunteers on hand when the event is on.

"They need to ensure that we do have them," she said. "We need volunteers who speak the language and can deliver those services."

LAST CHANCE! OFFER ENDS MAY 31, 2015

FREE 7 DAY VALET PARKING*

UP TO $137 VALUE

WHEN YOU BOOK A PRE-PACKAGED WINTER VACATION

PARK'N FLY AIRPORT PARKING
Park happy

VALET PARKING INCLUDES:
Self Parking Package
*plus more!*
• 24/7 Complimentary Shuttle
• 8 Minute Service Guarantee
• National Post Lounge
• Self Service Kiosk

| RUNAWAY BAY | MONTEGO BAY | VARADERO | VARADERO | PUNTA CANA | PUNTA CANA | RIVIERA NAYARIT | RIVIERA MAYA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Grand Bahia Principe Jamaica ★★★★★ | Hilton Rose Hall Resort And Spa ★★★★½ | Royalton Hicacos Resort And Spa ★★★★★ | Blau Privilege Cayo Libertad ★★★★½ | Grand Bahia Principe Turquesa ★★★★★ | Dreams Punta Cana ★★★★½ | Grand Palladium Vallarta Resort Spa ★★★★½ | Grand Riviera Princess ★★★★★ |
| Junior Suite /All Inclusive | Resort View Room /All Inclusive | Junior Suite Gardenview/All Inclusive | Junior Suite /All Inclusive | Junior Suite /All Inclusive | Room Deal Of The Day /All Inclusive | Deluxe Room /All Inclusive | Junior Suite /All Inclusive |
| November 4 • 7 Nights | December 5 • 7 Nights | December 11 • 7 Nights | November 7 • 7 Nights | November 21 • 7 Nights | December 11 • 7 Nights | November 14 • 7 Nights | December 6 • 7 Nights |
| $1453 | $1493 | $1415 | $1335 | $1445 | $1473 | $1460 | $1398 |
| Including taxes and fees | Including taxes and fees | Including taxes and fees | Including taxes and fees | Including taxes and fees | Including taxes and fees | Including taxes and fees | Including taxes and fees |

itravel2000.com™/MC | 1.866.WOW.DEAL | CANADA'S TRAVEL EXPERTS 20 YEARS | Your Trusted Source for Travel: Flight Hotel Vacations Cruise | BEST PRICE GUARANTEED!

*Some conditions apply. Visit itravel2000.com or call 1.866.969.3325 for details. Package Fares: Toronto departures. Prices shown are per person in Canadian dollars, based on double occupancy and include all taxes, surcharges and mandatory fees and do not include travel insurance and other travel related expenses. Prices are for select departure dates and are accurate and subject to availability at advertising deadline, errors and omissions excepted, and subject to change. Packages are subject to availability at time of booking and are subject to change without notice. New bookings only. Not valid on group bookings. 8635919 Canada Inc. (dba as itravel2000) is a TICO licensed company. tico.ca #50021097. 1004 Middlegate Road, Suite 3000, Mississauga, ON, L4Y 1M4

# USB key to the outside world

NORTH KOREA

## Project aims to smuggle information across border

Jessica Smith Cross
Metro | Toronto

For $600, you can choose what movies and documentaries will be on 20 USB keys smuggled into North Korea, to inform its citizens about the outside world.

Toronto non-profit HanVoice has launched a fundraising campaign to pay for USB drives, each with a full copy of Korean Wikipedia and a selection of films and documentaries, to be smuggled across the Chinese border with North Korea.

"Information is the key to transforming North Korea from within," said Erica Kim, who is in charge of the fundraising initiative.

Each USB key costs $30, including all smuggling-related expenses such as bribing border guards, said Kim. The top-tier perk of the campaign allows the donor to choose the media to include — within reason, said Kim.

"We really want to encourage media that has to do with history, justice, democracy and things like that," she said. "It can't be just like some video of themselves."

Defectors often speak about how the decision to leave is influenced by smuggled information, which helped to broaden their minds from the propaganda they heard, she said.

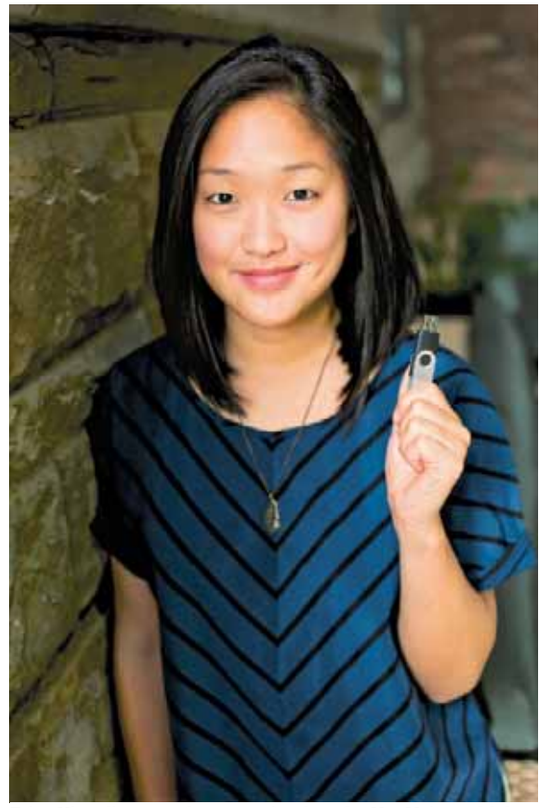
There is a risk to the North Koreans who accept the drives, said Kim. HanVoice believes USB drives are the safest method of transporting information.

In the past, the North Korean government has shut down the power, raided homes and pried open computers and DVD players to see if there is illegal foreign media stuck in the disk drives, she said. That can't happen with USB keys, which can always be removed.

> **Information is the key to transforming North Korea from within.**
> Erica Kim, HanVoice

HanVoice called the operation Project E, for "empower, enlighten, educate, expose, eye-open, and express." It is working with the North Korea Strategy Center, an organization led by North Korean defectors in South Korea who seek a unified Korea, which has a history of smuggling radios and information into North Korea. It will take care of smuggling the USB drives.

Visit hanvoiceprojecte.com for more information.



**Erica Kim, director of communications for HanVoice, which works with an organization led by North Korean defectors to smuggle information into the country.** LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

TEACHERS' STRIKES

## Unrest still looms for September

Ontario's public education system could be thrown into turmoil this fall as the province's major teachers' unions have raised the possibility of strikes, setting the stage for a tense summer of bargaining.

More than 70,000 high school students returned to class Wednesday after the Ontario Labour Relations Board ruled that the teachers' strikes in the Toronto-area regions of Durham and Peel and the Sudbury-area Rainbow District were illegal — a decision that would only ban the strikes for two weeks. In an attempt to avoid further strikes in those boards and ensure the students would be able to complete their school year, the government introduced back-to-work legislation, which passed Thursday.

But the new legislation does nothing to quell the potential unrest looming for the fall. The province's talks with the OSSTF broke down last weekend and the union has applied for conciliation, which could set the stage for a provincial strike. Union president Paul Elliott has said he is looking at the possibility of a strike in the fall. THE CANADIAN PRESS

SAMSUNG Galaxy S6 edge

DONE WITH UNPREDICTABILLS?

At WIND Mobile, you get the same bill every month with our truly Unlimited plans. Get Unlimited Data, Talk and Text, plus no surprise overages. Check us out.

$35/mo

true mobile freedom™

WIND®

Learn more at WINDmobile.ca. All unlimited plan features in Canada are from anywhere on our network, otherwise long distance and roaming rates apply. Samsung Galaxy S6 edge is a trademark of Samsung Electronics Canada, Inc. and/or its related entities used with permission. All services subject to WIND's Terms of Service, Fair Usage Policy and Internet Traffic Management Policy and are for personal use by an individual. WIND, WIND MOBILE, WINDtab and TRUE MOBILE FREEDOM are trademarks of Wind Telecomunicazioni S.p.A. and are used under license in Canada by WIND Mobile Corp. © 2015 WIND Mobile

# Captain John's sails off

Cameras flashed and hundreds waved as the iconic Captain John's slowly crept away from its long-time berth on the Toronto waterfront. The former seafood restaurant is headed to Port Colborne, where it will be disassembled and sold for scrap metal. The spot the ship called home – at the foot of Yonge Street – will sit empty for the time being, but plans for an urban park are underway, according to Waterfront Toronto. These are some of the memories people shared about the ship and what Thursday meant for its owner, John Letnik. **GILBERT NGABO** METRO

**John Letnik, better known as Captain John, was teary eyed Thursday as his ship left the Toronto waterfront amid a crowd of onlookers.** LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

**My very first lobster, I ate it right here on that boat. It's been probably 40 years, but I still remember that day.**

Christine Newman

**I live around here and have seen this boat for a long time. I was kind of ready to see him go and leave space for transformation of the area.**

Will Ncube

**I think it is nice that he's gone. He's old, you know. Like some kind of retirement for him.**

Lia White

**One of my wedding receptions was here many years ago. I had about 60 people, and the food was great. The boat was a great icon to have in the city.**

Byron McGibbon

**This boat was part of history of the city. So it's bad that it is gone. But it's OK. Now something else will come up.**

Yashu Pabbi

PHOTOS: GILBERT NGABO/METRO

OMBUDSMAN

## Tories ask police to probe allegations against Hydro One

Ontario's opposition parties want a police investigation into allegations that Hydro One misled the government about the extent of billing problems created by a new computer system.

The Progressive Conservatives asked the Ontario Provincial Police for a probe after Ombudsman Andre Marin complained he was misled and lied to by Hydro One officials as he investigated billing problems affecting about 100,000 customers.

"As a result of the ombudsman's report and remarks, I ask that you direct the Ontario Provincial Police to conduct an investigation into … the serious breaches of conduct committed by employees of Hydro One," PC house leader Steve Clark said in a letter to OPP Commissioner Vince Hawkes. "No government organization or the employees who work for them should be above the law."

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath said she'd welcomed a police investigation if it gets to the bottom of what went on at Hydro One, the province's largest utility which also serves as a local electricity distributor for 1.3 million customers.

"If the OPP are in a situation where they believe this is something that warrants investigation, then I'm all for them investigating what's happening here," said Horwath.

Hydro One CEO Carmine Marcello insisted he's not concerned the Opposition asked police to investigate allegations the utility lied about its billing problems.

"I'm not worried at all because we've done nothing wrong," Marcello said in an interview. "I'm really disappointed that it's come to this, but the reality is we've always co-operated with every single step of the ombudsman's investigation."

Marin released a special report Monday on the 10,700 complaints from Hydro One customers about their billing problems, with a chapter called "obstructing the ombudsman," an offence punishable by a fine or even a jail term.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Group wants brakes put on bus garage

SCARBOROUGH

## Proposed site puts residents at great risk, members say

Gilbert Ngabo
Metro | Toronto

A community group in Scarborough is rallying to protest the construction of a TTC bus garage in the area.

The Coalition Against the McNicoll Bus Garage has written to the provincial environment ministry voicing concerns over the $190 million project. The group says the project puts residents at great risk.

"The TTC has absolutely no concern whatsoever for the implications in the community," said Patricia Sinclair, an area resident and group member.

The group says the site is no place to house an estimated 250 buses and tanks of oil, diesel and transmission fluids.

The area, near Kennedy Road and McNicoll Avenue, is next to a nursing home, close to a high school, a rail track and the Pacific Mall, said Sinclair.

The TTC has already completed an Environmental Project Report looking into how to mitigate any negative impact the project would have.

In a statement to Metro, a spokesperson said a garage must meet ridership needs and moving it would increase operating costs.

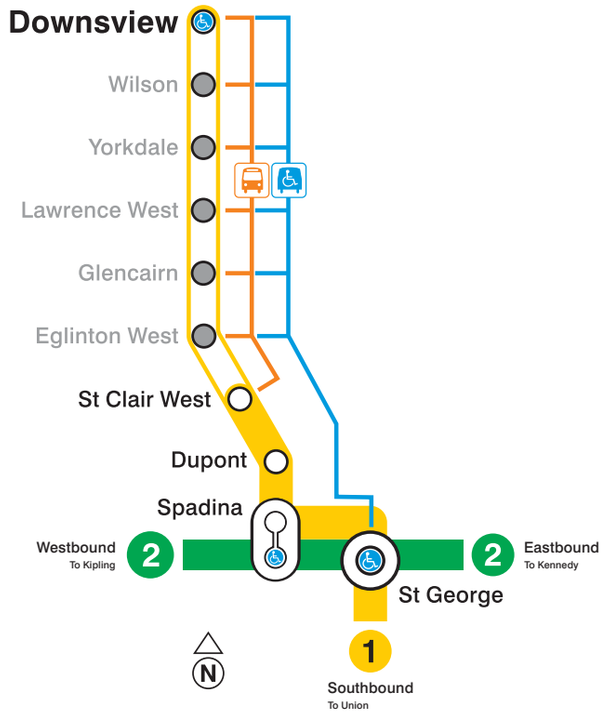
"The current site is estimated to yield over $1M per year in operating budget savings over sites located further east," reads the statement in part.

"We will keep fighting the good fight anyway," Sinclair said.

Artist's rendering of McNicoll Bus Garage . CONTRIBUTED


Weekend closure

1 St Clair West to Downsview
May 30 and 31, 2015




For detailed service information, call 416-393-4636 or visit ttc.ca

TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION


PRIVACY

# 'Right balance' in new guidelines

Ontario's privacy commissioner is re-evaluating his court case against Toronto police over disclosing suicide attempts in records shared with outside agencies, following the force's move to ban release of mental health information in background checks.

As of this week, organizations that request a Toronto Police Service background check on potential volunteers or employees who will be working with children or vulnerable people — positions ranging from a scout coach to a teacher to a health-care provider — will, under no circumstances, receive non-criminal mental health records.

Prior to the change, police checks released to employers or organizations could document a suicide attempt or psychological crisis that prompted a 911 call or a police response.

The move has been lauded by mental health and civil rights groups, which have been calling for an end to a practice they say unfairly affects people with a mental health history.

Brian Beamish, Ontario's Information and Privacy Commissioner, said Toronto police "have taken a very significant step forward" in adopting guidelines recently developed by the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police concerning background checks.

Those guidelines "strike the right balance between privacy and community safety," Beamish said in an email.

But it's not clear what impact the change could have on an unprecedented court case the privacy watchdog filed against the Toronto police last year.

That case turns on a related issue: Toronto police disclosure of suicide attempts to outside agencies, such as the FBI and border services, through the Canadian Police Information Centre (CPIC) database.

"We will be evaluating what impact this development may have moving forward," Beamish said.

How and when border agents, such as U.S. border officials, access non-criminal mental health files of travellers became a high-profile issue following the case of Ellen Richardson, an Ontario woman denied entry to the U.S. in 2013 due to a suicide attempt made the previous year. Unable to travel to New York, she lost out on a $6,000 cruise vacation.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

> **[Guidelines] strike the right balance between privacy and community safety.**
> Brian Beamish
> Privacy Commissioner

## KILLER WHALES BREEDING BAN

Ontario has passed a bill that prohibits the breeding and acquisition of killer whales.

The bill, named the Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, also requires animal welfare committees and qualified veterinarians with marine mammal expertise at any facility that has marine mammals.

Yasir Naqvi, the minister of community safety and correctional services, says banning the breeding and acquisition of killer whales is something Ontarians expect and the animals deserve.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Ontario Municipal Affairs Minister Ted McMeekin wants Ontario's 444 municipalities to adopt a ranked balloting system.
RICK MADONIK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

# New voting system embraced

POLITICS

## Province aims to have ranked ballots for 2018 civic elections

Get ready, Toronto, for a new voting system that should discourage negative campaigning, make city council look more like Toronto, and stymie polarizing candidates such as Rob Ford.

Ontario is consulting people on how — not if — it should let municipalities use ranked ballots in 2018, and Mayor John Tory and Toronto council are on record as eager to embrace what will be a historic, radical change.

"I would like to see it in place for the next election," Tory said Thursday, minutes after Municipal Affairs Minister Ted McMeekin officially launched a review of the Municipal Elections Act. "I think it will encourage more people to come into politics."

Consultations end July 27. McMeekin hopes the Legislature will pass necessary changes in plenty of time to let municipalities officially adopt ranked balloting and start preparations for October 2018 civic elections.

McMeekin urged Ontario's 444 municipalities to consider a change he says should elect leaders "working together to serve their communities and debating issues ... rather than engaging in personal attacks."

Requested by the previous Toronto council in 2013, ranked ballots would replace the "first past the post" system, used for more than a century, whereby the candidate with the most votes wins, even if that's a small percentage of the total vote in a multi-candidate race.

Under ranked balloting, voters elect candidates in order of preference — potentially first, second and third. A candidate with a majority of first-place votes — 50 per cent plus one — wins, just as in the current system.

If nobody meets that threshold, the candidate with the fewest first-place votes is knocked out. The second-place choices of that candidate's supporters are added to the totals of the remaining hopefuls, and so on, until somebody has a majority.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

### WHAT TO EXPECT

- A vigorous education campaign to sell voters on the change, and to teach them how it works and how to mark a very different-looking ballot.
- Potentially, confusion at the polls. Ranked ballots are inherently more complex.
- Less negative campaigning, because politicians do not want to alienate their rivals' supporters for fear of not being their second choice.
- More gender and ethnic diversity.
- Polarizing politicians will find it tough to win.
- No more strategic voting, since voters can now pick second and third choices.

ONTARIO

# Black teachers face racism at work: Report

Many black teachers across Ontario still face racism on the job, according to a new study of educators, half of whom said they believe being black has hurt their chance of promotion. Some told of hearing the 'N' word used in the staff room and being mistaken for a trespasser.

"I had a supply teacher tell me I am not allowed to park my car in staff parking," said one of the 148 black educators across 12 Ontario school boards surveyed for a report to be released Friday. "I was introduced as 'home girl' to a student teacher," said another.

**"The 'N' word was used in casual conversation in our staff room."**
A black educator surveyed in ONABSE's report

The 63-page report, The Voices of Ontario Black Educators, prepared for the Ontario Alliance of Black School Educators (ONABSE), calls for Ontario to enact tough employment equity legislation, provide training against anti-black bias, set targets for promoting teachers of colour and cluster black teachers in particular in schools where there are high numbers of black students.

"We're disappointed, but not surprised at the findings — racism is still deeply ingrained in society," said Warren Salmon, interim president of ONABSE, which commissioned the report because of concerns expressed by its members.

Of the black teachers, principals and vice-principals surveyed, one-third said they believe they have been passed over for advancement because they are black. Some 27 per cent said racial discrimination by colleagues affects their day-to-day work life and 51 per cent said they believe anti-black bias at their school board affects who gets promoted.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

The Room

Begins Saturday, May 30

Up to 40% off

select spring/summer collections, accessories and shoes

Some exclusions apply. No price adjustments on purchases made prior to Saturday, May 30, 2015. For more information, please call The Room Toronto 416 861 6251 or Vancouver 604 689 2261.

# Riverdale's traffic safety spat

TRANSPORTATION

## Neighbours divided over group's ideas

The tree-lined streets of Riverdale have become an unlikely battleground.

A war over traffic has polarized the Toronto neighbourhood, residents said, pitting north against south.

Conspiracy theories about a "self-serving" community group hell-bent on driving traffic into the north end of the neighbourhood recently spread like wildfire in the area, which lies east of the downtown core.

"Pitchforks were sharpened and torches were lit," Riverdale resident Michael Hainsworth said of the fight, which included leaflets dropped anonymously into mailboxes, viral hate emails, and a local meeting that turned into a red-faced "fiasco" last month.

Most of the anger has been directed at the Riverdale Traffic Group (RTG), a community-led organization that developed several traffic-calming proposals to boost pedestrian safety, including a controversial bid to flip the direction of two one-way streets.

The group was not expecting the brutal backlash, RTG chair Stephen Davies told Torstar News Service. Members were publicly "vilified" and the group's email account was inundated with aggressive "hate mail," he said.

"There was one period of time that it was so intense and so ugly I couldn't answer the emails because there were too many of them and I was going into shock over it," Davies said.

Some residents blame inaction by local councillor Paula Fletcher for "tearing the community apart."

Fletcher in turn is pointing the finger at the city's transportation services division, claiming there is a significant "gap" in support for community groups.

Meanwhile, transportation services director Kyp Perikleous says it's all a big misunderstanding and the Riverdale traffic war was just a "one-off."

The issue began in late 2012 when a few residents from Langley St. became concerned about the high volume of cars travelling down their street, which has a pedestrian crossing many children use to get to school.

Fletcher told the residents to establish a working group to identify solutions.

The group suggested installing speed humps and stop signs to limit speed limits to 30 km/h, however a suggestion to switch the direction of two one-way streets caused a stir at a neighbourhood meeting.

Andrea Kellner-Bock, a mother who has lived in the area for 10 years, said the meeting was an "awful fiasco" where people actually spat at one another.

The community became "completely radical" in the belief they were being blind-sided by a group pushing its own agenda, she said.

The traffic war could have been avoided if city authorities had taken a more active role, she said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

> **I don't know at what point it went off the rails to create such hostility amongst them all.**
> Kyp Perikelous, transportation services director

**Andrea Kellner-Bock, seen with neighbours supporting her point of view, started an online petition against proposals by the Riverdale Traffic Group to redirect traffic into her part of the neighbourhood. Kellner-Bock secured 360 signatures for her petition against changing the direction of traffic flow on two one-way streets.** ANDREW FRANCIS WALLACE/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE


THE HOME DEPOT®
More saving. More doing.®

SPECIAL BUY 3 for $10
6-Pack Jumbo Annuals • Vibrant colours blooming all summer While quantities last.

SPECIAL BUY 3 for $10
EXCLUSIVE to The Home Depot
VIGORO® Annual • 4.3" pot
While quantities last.

SPECIAL BUY SAVE $2
$14.98 WAS $16.98
EXCLUSIVE to The Home Depot
BURPEE® Patio Veggie • 12" pot While quantities last.

NEW LOWER PRICE
NOW $39.99 WAS $49.99
2-Pack 20" Symphony Planter • Silver (1000821225)

SPRING savings start here

NEW LOWER PRICE
NOW $3.98 WAS $6.98
SCOTTS® Nature Scapes™ Mulch • Classic Black • 56.6L (1000153123)
Sierra Red (1000153028)
Deep Forest Brown (1000547418)

NEW LOWER PRICE
NOW $9.71 WAS $13.98
MIRACLE-GRO® Potting Mix • 60.5L (1000151457)
Moisture Control • 56.6L (1000723863)

NEW LOWER PRICE
NOW $12.87 WAS $15.98
MIRACLE-GRO® Shake 'n Feed Gardens • 2.04kg (1000105901); Ultra Bloom (1000466599)
Tomato, Fruits and Vegetables (1000719589)
Trees and Shrubs (1000733920)

SPECIAL BUY $159
WORX AeroCart 8-In-1 All-Purpose Mover and Lifter (1000830210)
While quantities last.

FW-17 METRO TORONTO, METRO OTTAWA

# Marin the master of splitting views

Ontario Ombudsman André Marin's contract was extended on Thursday after he called on his Twitter followers to "make some noise," so he could keep his job. Marin is a divisive figure and prolific tweeter who's traded insults with both public figures and private citizens online, while encouraging a cult following that's highly unusual for a civil servant. On Wednesday evening, he tweeted that the term of his job was about to end and the four-month contract extension he was expecting hadn't materialized. His call for support was met with, much like everything else involving Marin, response from two divisive camps.

**Jessica Smith Cross** FOR METRO

## THE LOVERS

### @QUINTEALIVE

THIS WILL NOT GO QUIETLY INTO THE NIGHT. Andre Marin MUST be re-appointed, failing of which would be open tyranny.

### @CITYTO

Kudos @Ont_Ombudsman AndreMarin 4 disclosing OntarioHydro corruption & incompetence! Ur contract MUST b renewed!! #DontHideTheTruth

### @THABSBURG

@Yasir_Naqvi @Kathleen_Wynne It would be of great concern to all residents of Ontario if we lost @Ont_Ombudsman and his excellent oversight.

### @MDHIGGS

Don't often weigh in on such issues, but @Ont_Ombudsman has been doing exceptional work in his role, worthy of re-appointment. @JeffLeal_MPP

**Ombudsman Andre Marin will remain on the job through to September. At that point, the government will have to decide if he's earned another contract extension.** TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## THE HATERS

### @INKLESSPW

Blocked a troll who's using his account to send out personal insults. Oddly, it's Ontario's Ombudsman.

### @REIDRRAYMOND

@Ont_Ombudsman here's some noise. @Kathleen_Wynne please don't re-appoint this guy. @HanDongMPP

### @JOE_MEYER1

ELITISTS & NARCISSISTS ON THE PUBLIC DIME: @Ont_Ombudsman uses Twitter to rally support for a renewed contract

### @ANDREWE

Ontario needs (deserves) an Ombudsperson, but not necessarily @Ont_Ombudsman André Marin. @TO_Ombuds Fiona Crean, perhaps? #onpoli #topoli


THE HOME DEPOT®

More saving. More doing.®

EXCLUSIVE to The Home Depot
A. **VIGORO® Hanging Basket** • 12"
B. **VIGORO® Planter** • 13-1/2" pot

SPECIAL BUY
**$11.98**
**Bridal Wreath Spirea** • #2 pot
• Large shrub with arching branches of white blossoms in early June
(1000175466) Mature tree and shrub shown.
**While quantities last.**

SPECIAL BUY
**$14.98**
**Devon Hanging Basket** • 11"
**While quantities last.**

# Great Value on lawn and garden care

NEW LOWER PRICE
**NOW $29.84** WAS $43.98
**SCOTTS® Turf Builder® Lawn Fertilizer Mega 30-0-3** • 16.3kg
• 11,991 sq. ft. (1000174307)

NEW LOWER PRICE
ABSORBS 2X MORE WATER
**NOW $13.87** WAS $17.48
**SCOTTS® Turf Builder® Sun & Shade Mix Coated Grass Seed** • 1.4kg (1000720555)
Heat and Drought (1000720381) **WAS $18.48**
Bluegrass Sun (1000720382) **WAS $18.48**

NEW LOWER PRICE
**NOW $28.93** WAS $42.98
**SCOTTS® Turf Builder® EZ Seed®** • 4.5kg (1000666184)

NEW LOWER PRICE
KILLS ANTS ON CONTACT
**NOW $7.98** WAS $8.98
**WILSON® AntOut Indoor & Outdoor Ant Killer** • 1L
(1000507629)

Prices valid until Wednesday, June 3, 2015 unless otherwise indicated. We reserve the right to limit quantities to the amount reasonable for homeowners and our regular contractor customers. **Offer valid at The Home Depot Canada.** Not valid in combination with any other offer. Some exceptions may apply. Selection varies by store and quantities are limited. Offer valid to Canadian residents only. No substitutions or rain checks. See store associate or Special Services Desk for details or visit homedepot.ca

©2015, HOMER TLC, Inc. • 05/15 • FW-17

# YORKDALE DUFFERIN MAZDA

*WE DO IT BETTER, WE DO IT FOR YOU!*

**2015 MAZDA MAZDA3 GX**

AUTO, AC, SKYACTIVE, BLUETOOTH AND MUCH MORE.
STK# 15321
PRICE $18,499 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2015 MAZDA MAZDA3 SPORT GX**

AUTO, AC, SKYACTIVE, BLUETOOTH AND MUCH MORE.
STK# 15189
PRICE $18,999 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2015 MAZDA MAZDA3 GS**

MANUAL, REAR VIEW CAMERA, CRUISE CONTROL, ALLOY RIMS, HEATED SEATS AND MUCH MORE. STK# 15205
PRICE $19,499 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2015 MAZDA MAZDA3 GS**

AUTO, REAR VIEW CAMERA, CRUISE CONTROL, ALLOY RIMS, AND MUCH MORE.
STK# 15222
PRICE $19,999 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2015 MAZDA MAZDA3 SPORT GS**

MANUAL, REAR VIEW CAMERA, MOONROOF, CRUISE CONTROL, ALLOY RIMS, HEATED SEATS AND MUCH MORE. STK# 15628
PRICE $21,499 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2015 MAZDA MAZDA3 GS**

AUTO, CONVENIENCE PACKAGE PLUS MOONROOF AND MUCH MORE.
STK# 15233
PRICE $21,999 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2015 MAZDA MAZDA3 GT**

AUTO, LEATHER SEATS, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION AND MUCH MORE.
STK# 15150
PRICE $25,999 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2014 MAZDA MX-5 GS**

MANUAL, 2 LITER ENGINE, BLACK GUN METAL RIMS, HARD TOP AND MUCH MORE. STK# 14768
PRICE $28,995 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2015 MAZDA CX-5 GS AWD**

AWD, MOONROOF, REARVIEW CAMERA, BLIND SPOT MONITERING SYSTEM AND MUCH MORE. STK# 15049
PRICE $28,999 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2014 MAZDA CX-9 GS AWD**

V6, AWD, BLUETOOTH, CRUISE CONTROL, REARVIEW CAMERA AND MUCH MORE.
STK# 14770
PRICE $28,999 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2015 MAZDA CX-5 GT**

LEATHER, MOOONROOF, NAVIGATION, SMART CITY BRAKE AND MUCH MORE.
STK# 15008
PRICE $32,999 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

**2015 MAZDA CX-5 GT**

LEATHER, MOOONROOF, NAVIGATION, SMART CITY BRAKE AND MUCH MORE.
STK# 15589
PRICE $32,999 + HST ONLY
freight & pdi included

Now, you can drive as much as you want, as far as you want.

Mazda UNLIMITED*

3-YEAR NEW VEHICLE UNLIMITED MILEAGE WARRANTY
3-YEAR ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE UNLIMITED MILEAGE
5-YEAR POWERTRAIN UNLIMITED MILEAGE WARRANTY
7-YEAR ANTI-PERFORATION UNLIMITED MILEAGE WARRANTY

STANDARD ON ALL 2015 AND 2016 MODELS.

Vehicles listed are demo models. The above prices are cash purchase prices and while quantities last. Cash rebate offers cannot be combined with special finance offers. All offers include freight, P.D.E. and fees. Offers exclude HST and licensing. Offer valid until June 31st, 2015. Offers subject to change without notice. Call 416-789-4521 or visit www.yorkdaledufferinmazda.ca for more details.

BEST NEW SMALL CAR (UNDER $21,000)
BEST NEW SMALL CAR (OVER $21,000)
2014 CX-5 COMPACT UTILITY OF THE YEAR
2014 MAZDA6 CANADIAN CAR OF THE YEAR AWARD

VISIT YORKDALE DUFFERIN MAZDA.
*zoom-zoom*

www.YorkdaleDufferinMazda.ca
416-789-4521
2451 DUFFERIN STREET

401 · YORKDALE MALL · LAWRENCE AVE. · DUFFERIN ST. · CASTLEFIELD AVE. · EGLINTON AVE WEST




# Sources speak on Zehaf Bibeau clips

PARLIAMENT HILL SHOOTING

## Footage said to show incitement for more attacks

As calmly as Michael Zehaf Bibeau laid out the reasons for his fateful attack on Parliament Hill last October, he exhorted others to carry out similar attacks, say sources familiar with the unreleased portion of his final video manifesto.

The missing video segments also include Zehaf Bibeau mentioning a number of Middle Eastern names, none of which appear to be linked to the Oct. 22 shooting rampage.

The details come from two sources who spoke to The Canadian Press about the video, speaking on condition of anonymity.

They say during the missing 18 seconds, the 32-year-old Zehaf Bibeau calls on others to carry out attacks against countries such as Canada.

The sources say those named in the video do not appear to have played a role in Zehaf Bibeau's attack.

Zehaf Bibeau recorded the video in his car moments before the deadly rampage, which claimed the life of Cpl. Nathan Cirillo and ended his own in a hail of gunfire.

RCMP commissioner Bob Paulson has said investigators had "sound operational" reasons for keeping the 18-second portion of the video secret when the other 55 seconds were released nearly three months ago.

As to why the RCMP withheld part of the video, the RCMP wanted to ensure there were no hidden messages contained in it, the sources said.

In the portion of the video already released, Zehaf Bibeau stares calmly into the camera. He talks in an even tone, his eyes darting around, as he sits in his car in a parking lot steps away from Ottawa police headquarters.

He says his actions are a response to Canada's military involvement in Afghanistan and Iraq. "Canada's officially become one of our enemies by fighting and bombing us and creating a lot of terror in our countries and killing us and killing our innocents."

Paulson has said the RCMP would release the remaining video this week or next.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

**Michael Zehaf Bibeau is shown carrying a gun while running toward Parliament Hill on Oct. 23, 2014. Speaker Andrew Scheer said a report will be released next week.** RCMP/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## IN BRIEF

### New ban aims to support transgender individuals

A political roadblock that imperiled NDP MPP Cheri DiNovo's landmark legislation to ban transgender "conversion therapy" has been cleared.

"This means that right away the message gets sent to children across the province that what many of them are still undergoing isn't okay and that ... we are all on their side," the Parkdale—High Park MPP said.

DiNovo's Affirming Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Act will ban doctors from billing OHIP for counselling gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered patients to change sexual orientation or gender identity. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

LEGISLATION

# Tampon tax nixed

Tampons will be a little cheaper as of Canada Day now that the Conservative government is moving to exempt feminine hygiene products from GST.

The House of Commons unanimously adopted an NDP-sponsored motion calling for the change earlier this month — a motion that passed after women in the Conservative caucus threatened to boycott the vote if their party didn't approve.

Opponents of the tax have long decried it as being entirely discriminatory, as it is only paid by women, and on an essential product, while other goods deemed as luxuries escape the levy altogether.

After the motion passed, the government said they would make the change in a future budget bill, but on Thursday a notice appeared from Finance Canada that the tax would indeed disappear on July 1.

Why the change is happening now wasn't immediately clear. Finance Minister Joe Oliver was not available for comment. Conservative MP Michelle Rempel called the change in line with the government's lower-tax policies.

The NDP suggested another reason — it's an election year. "Women have made it very clear that they are paying attention," said MP Irene Mathyssen, who brought the motion before the Commons and also had a private member's bill on the subject.

"After 25 years you run out of excuses of why there's a discriminatory tax on the books."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

**FIFA President Sepp Blatter, front right, speaks at the opening ceremony of the FIFA congress in Zurich, Switzerland, Thursday. The FIFA congress with the president's election is scheduled for Friday.** WALTER BIERI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# FIFA chief resists calls to resign

ELECTION

## Blatter pledges to restore trust in soccer body amid scandal

As defiant as ever, Sepp Blatter resisted calls to resign as FIFA president Thursday and deflected blame for the massive bribery and corruption scandal engulfing soccer's world governing body.

"We, or I, cannot monitor everyone all of the time," Blatter said in his first public remarks on the crisis that has further tainted his leadership on the eve of his bid for a fifth term as president.

The 79-year-old Blatter insisted he could restore trust in world soccer after a pair of corruption investigations brought "shame and humiliation" on his organization and the world's most popular sport.

"We cannot allow the reputation of football and FIFA to be dragged through the mud any longer," he said. "It has to stop here and now."

Despite a tide of criticism and pressure on him to leave, Blatter is moving ahead with a presidential election Friday that is likely to bring him another four years in office as one of the most powerful men in sports.

"The events of yesterday have cast a long shadow over football," he said, his voice shaky at times, in a speech to open FIFA's two-day congress. "There can be no place for corruption of any kind."

Blatter refused to back down after European soccer body UEFA demanded earlier Thursday that he quit following the latest — and most serious — allegations to discredit FIFA during his 17 years in office.

"Enough is enough," UEFA President Michel Platini said. "People no longer want him anymore and I don't want him anymore either."

Platini said he met privately with Blatter and asked him to go.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**BACKGROUND**

A U.S. Justice Department investigation accused 14 international soccer officials or sports marketing executives of bribery, racketeering, fraud and money-laundering over two decades. Seven officials remained in custody in Zurich on Thursday.

**For more on the FIFA scandal, see pages 17 and 32**

**IN BRIEF**

**22 people 'may have been exposed' to anthrax**

Human error probably was not a factor in the U.S. Army's mistaken shipment of live anthrax samples to numerous U.S. government and commercial laboratories in the United States and in South Korea, the Army's top general said Thursday. Gen. Ray Odierno said the problem may have been a failure in the process of inactivating anthrax samples. U.S. officials at Osan Air Base in South Korea said 22 people "may have been exposed." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIA HEAT WAVE

## Monsoons can't come soon enough

Eating onions, lying in the shade and splashing into rivers, Indians were doing whatever they could Thursday to stay cool during a brutal heat wave that has killed more than 1,400 in the past month.

But some had no choice but to venture into the heat. "Either we have to work, putting our lives under threat, or we go without food," said farmer Narasimha.

Meteorological officials have said the heat would likely last several more days — scorching crops, killing wildlife and endangering anyone labouring outdoors.

Most of the 1,412 heat-related deaths so far have occurred in Andhra Pradesh and neighbouring Telangana, where temperatures have soared up to 47 degrees Celsius.

"The rains which have eluded us for the last couple of years have created serious drought conditions," said state minister K.T. Rama Rao in Telangana.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS


We can't thank you enough, but we'll certainly try

Join us on May 29th for Client Appreciation Day.

We believe in appreciating our clients every day, but on May 29th we want to show you just how much we mean it. Drop by for a personal thank you and some delicious treats. **You could also win*** 1 of 60 $500 Cash Prizes! Just make an eDeposit or *Interac* e-Transfer® between May 23rd and May 29th and you'll be automatically entered.

Talk to us today or visit cibc.com/clientappreciation.

Banking that fits your life.

CIBC

#CIBCAppreciation

* No purchase necessary. Open May 23-29, 2015 to customers who are legal residents of Canada over the age of majority in their jurisdiction of residence as of date of entry. Sixty (60) prizes in total, each consisting of $500. Prizes allocated as follows: Eight (8) available in BC, YK, NT, NU; Seven (7) available in AB; Four (4) available in MN, SK; Twenty-three (23) available in ON; Fourteen (14) available in QC; Four (4) available in NL, NB, NS, PEI. Odds depend on number of eligible entries received. Math skill test required. Rules: cibc.com/client-appreciation-day-contest.

TORONTO FC
ALL FOR ONE
UNITE. SUPPORT. BELONG.
TORONTOFC.CA
V SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES
SAT MAY 30TH / 5:00PM
BMO PROUD SPONSOR OF THE 2015 SEASON
"TORONTO FC" AND ASSOCIATED WORD MARKS AND LOGOS ARE TRADEMARKS, DESIGNS AND OTHER FORMS OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OF MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER, L.L.C., USED BY PERMISSION © 2015 MLS. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.

**Kurdish female fighters of the YPG carry their weapons as they prepare for a battle against ISIL militants near the village of Mabrouka, in northeast Syria.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Kurds inspired in fight against ISIL

SYRIA

## Group closing in on Tel Abyad, a hub for militants

In contrast to the Iraqi army's failures, Kurdish fighters in Syria are on the march against the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), capturing towns and villages in an oil-rich swath of the country's northeast under the cover of U.S.-led airstrikes.

As the Kurds close in on Tel Abyad, a major commercial centre on the Turkish border, their advance highlights the decisive importance of combining airstrikes with the presence of a cohesive and motivated ally on the ground — so clearly absent in Iraq.

In Syria, a country now split mostly between al-Qaida-style militants and forces loyal to President Bashar Assad, the U.S. has found a reliable partner in the country's main Kurdish fighting force, known as the YPG. They are moderate, mostly secular fighters, driven by revolutionary fervour and deep conviction in their cause.

Since the beginning of May, they have wrestled back more than 200 Kurdish and Christian towns in northeastern Syria, as well as strategic mountains seized earlier by ISIL. Along the way, they have picked up ammunition, weapons and vehicles left behind by extremists.

The push has gotten them closer to Tel Abyad, a major avenue for commerce for the extremist group, through which it smuggles foreign fighters and sells black-market oil to help fund its conquests. The city is also a key link between Turkey and the northern Syrian city of Raqqa, ISIL's de-facto capital in its self-declared caliphate.

"The YPG doesn't lack a will to fight, like soldiers in the Syrian army, or soldiers in the Iraqi army who mostly fight for a salary," said Wladimir van Wilgenburg, a Middle East analyst at the Jamestown Foundation in Washington. "The YPG is much more motivated than other forces in the region, and doesn't lack cohesion and doesn't have coordination problems."

"The YPG is quite ideological, while the Syrian and Iraqi army aren't very well motivated," van Wilgenburg added.

The Iraqi military has struggled to make gains after its humiliating defeats last year, when it virtually crumbled in the face of the militant onslaught in northern Iraq. Poor training, corruption and sectarian politics have all been cited as reasons for the military's shortcomings.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### DATES

**January**
The YPG liberated Kobani from ISIL militants and began a wide offensive in which they regained much of the territory they had lost.

**May 6**
The Kurdish fighters and their allies launched an offensive from the northeastern province of Hassekeh in less than three weeks, capturing the Aziz mountain along with 221 Kurdish and Christian villages that were held by ISIL.

**FREE Therapy** for **Alzheimer's disease or Dementia**
Join our clinical study to see if **light therapy** may help you… or someone else
**Let your relatives or friends know about this!**

The study is evaluating the effectiveness of Light Therapy for memory loss and cognitive impairment related to Alzheimer's or dementia. There are 14 weekly clinic appointments, each approximately 20 minutes in the Toronto core. The treatment also includes an easy, daily self-treatment for 3 months...and is free.

Participants will be given a set of Light Therapy devices worth $2000 at the end of the study.

This small randomized, placebo controlled study is only recruiting a very limited number of patients, on a first-come-first-served basis. So contact us soon.

For more information please email us at LightForDementia@gmail.com with your name and telephone number.

About Light Therapy: For over 50 years Light Therapy has been a safe and effective treatment for a variety of medical conditions, including neurologic disorders.

VieLight®

**The Northwest Territories government is promoting the morel mushroom harvest as a fleeting but lucrative opportunity.**

GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Mushroom pickers eye epic harvest

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

## Record forest fires sparks hope of high morel yield

Campgrounds are full and cars are lined up along a remote section of highway near Kakisa in the Northwest Territories, as residents and southern workers gather for what they hope will be a bumper harvest of a rare delicacy — the morel mushroom.

The territorial government has been promoting the harvest for months as a fleeting but lucrative opportunity in the bush, suggesting hundreds of dollars a day are there literally for the picking. Others warn it's a risky venture.

"There are no guarantees," said John Colford of the N.W.T.'s Department of Industry, Trade and Investment. "But if the mushrooms do arrive, there are opportunities."

Rich, earthy-tasting morels, which pop out of soil burned over by forest fires the previous season, are prized by chefs worldwide. The wrinkly, honeycombed fungi are widely picked across North America, but have only recently been harvested in the N.W.T.

After a record 3.4 million hectares of the territory's forest burned in 2014, hopes are high for an epic yield.

Handbooks passed out at information sessions suggest pickers have made anywhere from $200 to $1,000 a day. The territory said the total value of last year's 40-day harvest was between $6 million and $10 million.

This year could easily match that, said Colford. Prices in the field currently sit at around $16 a kilogram.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Faulty airbags lead to recall

Transport Canada has released a detailed list of vehicles being recalled in Canada due to faulty airbags made by Japan's Takata Corp., saying 1.2 million vehicles in this country are part of the worldwide recall.

The list of affected vehicles was posted online and includes the Honda Civic, Accord, and CR-V, Chrysler products, including the Dodge Ram and the Chrysler 300, BMW sedans and the X5, and Ford's Ranger and Mustang. The majority of the affected models are from the 2001 to 2011 model years, although more recent Ford Mustang models are also affected.

American regulators say six people have been killed and more than 100 injured due to the problem, though Transport Canada says it has no reports of any deaths or injuries in Canada from consumers or auto manufacturers.

The full list of the 1,242,111 vehicles included in the expanded recall can be found on Ottawa's HealthyCanadians.ca website, while a list of affected models in older recalls for the same issue can be found on Transport Canada's website.

Affected vehicles include Honda's Civic, Accord, Odyssey, CR-V, Pilot, Element, and Ridgeline models; Acura's TL, CL, MDX, and 1.7EL models; Chrysler's Aspen and 300 models; Dodge's Charger, Magnum, Ram, Dakota, and Durango models; Ford's Ranger and Mustang models; as well as BMW's X5 and 3-series and 5-series models.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

## market minute

**DOLLAR** 80.42¢ (+0.16¢)

**TSX** 15,107 (-3.47)

**OIL** $57.68 US (+17¢)

**GOLD** $1,188.80 US (+$2.30)

**NATURAL GAS:** $2.706 US (-14.1¢)
**DOW JONES:** 18,126.12 (-36.87)

FORTUNE
AT FORT YORK
ARRIVING THIS JUNE
HOMES STARTING FROM $169,990*
REGISTER NOW AT ONNI.COM
FORT YORK'S LAST HIGH-RISE OPPORTUNITY
Feel the buzz of a city come to life, just steps outside your front door. Revel in the striking architecture, million-dollar views and unmatched finishes, carefully crafted in each home. Fortune at Fort York offers urban living at its finest.
416.260.2600 | ONNI.COM
onni group
Illustrations and renderings are artist concept. *Prices and specifications may change without prior notice. Please see an ONNI sales representative for details. E. & O. E.

DO YOU HAVE PANIC DISORDER?

Do you Experience Recurrent Attacks of:

- Sudden, intense anxiety?
- Racing Heart?
- Shortness of breath?
- Sweating?
- Trembling?
- Thoughts of going crazy and losing control?

If so, you may be suffering from PANIC DISORDER.

Dr. Smit Sinha is conducting a research study "The Endogenous Opioid System in Panic Disorder" that involves standard treatment.

*Study participation is voluntary.*

UHN Toronto General Toronto Western Princess Margaret Toronto Rehab

Please contact (416)-340-3156 for more information.

# TTC SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS ON THE WAY!

**ANDY BYFORD**
CEO
TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION

Last Sunday, I joined Mayor John Tory and TTC Chair Josh Colle at an event in Scarborough to announce major proposed improvements to the TTC bus network, improvements that were duly approved at this week's TTC Board meeting.

From September, we will progressively reinstate service to 38 routes, service that we were forced to cut due to budget reductions back in 2011. In total, service improvements will cover 61 bus and streetcar routes. In addition, we will expand the evermore popular Blue Night service to make it available within a 15-minute walk to 99 per cent of Torontonians — a figure that many other cities can only dream about.

These improvements were first identified in a staff report that my team produced last August. We drew up a suite of opportunities to improve transit this year — subject, of course, to available funding. This list included initiatives to cut crowding, increase service reliability and to add capacity to cope with ever-growing ridership, and we were therefore very pleased and grateful when this Mayor and Council overwhelmingly voted to fund the vast majority of these initiatives in this year's unprecedented budget settlement for the TTC.

Over the next few months, we will announce more service improvements to progressively transform your TTC experience.

These improvements are a sign of our passion for customer service — and our determination to improve and modernize the TTC. That passion was on display again last Saturday when we welcomed over 5,000 visitors to our Greenwood train storage and maintenance facility as part of the annual Doors Open event in the city.

Visitors of all ages were amazed to see what goes on behind the scenes to keep Toronto moving and to experience firsthand the dedication and expertise of our hard-working employees. My thanks to all the volunteers that made the event such a success!

## PORTION OF LINE 1 CLOSED THIS WEEKEND

There will be no subway service between St Clair West and Downsview stations this weekend while the Toronto Transit Commission conducts track and signal work.

Maintaining subway infrastructure in a state of good repair is critical to ensuring a safe, reliable transit system. While the TTC conducts subway maintenance work overnight, weekend closures are also required to complete more complicated and time-consuming work.

Replacement buses will operate between St Clair West and Downsview stations.

A Wheel-Trans vehicle will be available for customers who require accessible transit. Customers can speak with any uniformed TTC employee at either station to make use of this service. Normal subway service will resume on Mon., Jun. 1 at 6 a.m. The TTC thanks customers for their patience and understanding as we work to improve transit in Toronto.

## VISIT THE TTC DISPLAY AT THE PEOPLE IN MOTION SHOW

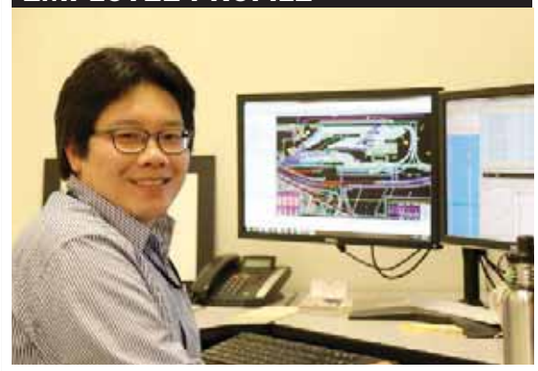
The Toronto Transit Commission will display a low-floor accessible bus and have an information booth at People in Motion 2015, Canada's largest exhibition for people with disabilities on May 29-30.

Drop by and give the TTC your feedback on the TTC's integrated accessible network. On Saturday, meet TTC CEO Andy Byford from 1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Members of the Advisory Committee on Accessible Transit (ACAT) will be on hand as well. Admission is free.

For accessible transit service, take the 29 Dufferin or one of the two new-low floor streetcars operating on the 509 Harbourfront from Union Station to Exhibition Place.

The TTC will also be offering a Wheel-Trans shuttle bus from Bathurst Station every half hour both days. The first bus departs Bathurst Station at 9:30 a.m. with the last bus departing at 4:30 p.m. The first bus departs the Queen Elizabeth Building at 10 a.m., with the last bus departing for Bathurst Station at 5:30 p.m.

## EMPLOYEE PROFILE



| Name: | Position: | Years of Service: |
|---|---|---|
| Michael Tham | Design Engineer-Alignment | 5 |

I joined the TTC to gain a broad understanding of how a transit system works and the role engineers can play in the operation, maintenance and construction of a transit system. In my time here, I've been able to work on many different projects, both large and small, from the expansion of Wilson Yard for the Toronto Rockets to the platform modifications for the articulated Nova Buses. I've learned a lot but there is much more to learn and I look forward to doing everything I can to help the TTC be the best it can be.

**Weekly Customer Service Report**
Week ending May 27, 2015

| | Actual % | Target % | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Subway — Deliver a punctual service | 97% | 97% | ✓ |
| Bus — Deliver reliable headway | 60% | 65% | ✗ |
| Streetcar — Deliver reliable headway | 64% | 70% | ✗ |

## TTC'S 506 CARLTON ON DIVERSION THIS WEEKEND

This weekend, on Sat., May 30 and Sun., May 31, two lanes of traffic on Carlton St. will be closed due to a crane lift. As a result, the 506 Carlton streetcar will will divert in both directions via Church St., Dundas St., Parliament St. and Gerard St.

Replacement buses will operate between McCaul St. and Broadview Ave. Normal service on the 506 Carlton will resume at 5 a.m. Monday.

**RECYCLE** Please keep the TTC litter-free. Recycle your reading materials in any station or platform receptacle.

**DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION FOR THE TTC? SEND AN EMAIL TO TOMOVES@TTC.CA**

**HOW TO CONTACT US:**
TTC INFORMATION
t 416-393-INFO (4636)
CUSTOMER SERVICE
t 416-393-3030
@TTChelps

**REAL-TIME ALERTS:**
@TTCnotices
Get personalized e-alerts at "My e-services" at ttc.ca

**WHERE IS MY BUS/STREETCAR?:**
Visit nextbus.com
Get Transit App on a smartphone/tablet

**FIND OUT MORE:**
Visit ttc.ca for details about routes, schedules and planned construction.
Facebook.com/TorontoTransitCommission
Youtube.com/OfficialTTCchannel

**TCONNECT WI-FI:**
Free Wi-Fi is now available at select TTC subway stations. Visit tconnect.ca or ttc.ca for details.

Ford

# GET EVEN MORE SALES EVENT

## FOR 6 DAYS ONLY

## MAY 26TH - JUNE 1ST

## WHEN YOU KEEP MORE MONEY IN YOUR POCKET

### WITH UP TO AN ADDITIONAL

# $750 BONUS^

TOWARDS THE PURCHASE FINANCE OF MOST NEW 2015 MODELS
(ESCAPE & F-150 AMOUNT SHOWN)

### AND YOU STILL GET

# 0% APR

PURCHASE* OR LEASE** FINANCING FOR UP TO 72 MONTHS TOWARDS MOST NEW 2015 MODELS

AND

Recycle Your Ride

GET UP TO

# $2,500±

TOWARDS MOST NEW 2015 FORD VEHICLES
WHEN YOU RECYCLE YOUR ELIGIBLE 2008 OR OLDER VEHICLE
(SUPER DUTY AMOUNT SHOWN. $2,000 ON F-150.
$1,000 ON MUSTANG AND ESCAPE. FOCUS NOT ELIGIBLE)

*IT'S EVEN* ***EASIER*** *TO GET INTO A* ***FORD***

SEARCH OUR INVENTORY AT TORONTOFORDDEALERS.COM
AND VISIT YOUR TORONTO AREA FORD STORE.

Ford
Go Further

Vehicle(s) may be shown with optional equipment. Dealer may sell or lease for less. Limited time offers. Offers only valid at participating dealers. Retail offers may be cancelled or changed at any time without notice. See your Ford Dealer for complete details or call the Ford Customer Relationship Centre at 1-800-565-3673. For factory orders, a customer may either take advantage of eligible raincheckable Ford retail customer promotional incentives/offers available at the time of vehicle factory order or time of vehicle delivery, but not both or combinations thereof. Retail offers not combinable with any CPA/GPC or Daily Rental incentives, the Commercial Upfit Program or the Commercial Fleet Incentive Program (CFIP). ^Offer valid from May 26, 2015 to June 1, 2015 (the "Offer Period") to qualified retail customers, on approved credit (OAC) from Ford Credit. Eligible customers will receive $500 towards the purchase finance of a new 2015 Focus (excluding S), Fiesta (excluding S), C-MAX, Fusion, Mustang (excluding 50th Anniversary, Shelby GT350), Taurus, Edge, Flex, Expedition, Transit Connect, Transit, E-Series Cutaway, Transit Van/Wagon/Cutaway/Chassis Cab, F-250 to F-550 models, and $750 towards the purchase finance of a new 2015 Escape and F-150 models (each an "Eligible Vehicle"). Only one (1) bonus offer may be applied towards the purchase finance of one (1) Eligible Vehicle. Taxes payable before offer amount is deducted. Offer is raincheckable. *Until June 30, 2015, receive 0% APR purchase financing on new 2014 Edge and 2015 Mustang (excluding 50th Anniversary, Shelby GT350), Flex and Escape models for up to 60 months, and 2015 Focus, Fiesta, Fusion, Taurus and F-250 to F-450 (excluding Chassis Cabs) models for up to 72 months to qualified retail customers, on approved credit (OAC) from Ford Credit. Not all buyers will qualify for the lowest interest rate. Example: $25,000 purchase financed at 0% APR for 36/60/72 months, monthly payment is $694.44/$416.66/$347.22, cost of borrowing is $0 or APR of 0% and total to be repaid is $25,000. Down payment on purchase financing offers may be required based on approved credit from Ford Credit. **Until June 30, 2015, lease a new 2015 F-150 (excluding Regular Cab XL 4x2 Value Leader) or Fusion for up to 24 months, 2014/2015 Edge or 2015 Flex for up to 36 months, 2015 Focus, Taurus, or Escape for up to 48 months, and get 0% APR on approved credit (OAC) from Ford Credit. Not all buyers will qualify for the lowest APR payment. Lease a model with a value of $30,000 at 0% APR for up to 24/36/48 months with an optional buyout of $15,600/$13,200/$10,800 and $0 down or equivalent trade in, monthly payment is $600.00/$466.67/$400.00, total lease obligation is $14,400.24/$16,800.12/$19,200.00, interest cost of leasing is $0 or 0% APR. Additional payments required for PPSA (RDPRM for Quebec), registration, security deposit, NSF fees (where applicable), excess wear and tear, and late fees. Some conditions and mileage restrictions apply. Excess kilometrage charges are 12¢ per km for Fiesta, Focus, C-MAX, Fusion and Escape; 16¢ per km for E-Series, Mustang, Taurus, Taurus X, Edge, Flex, Explorer, F-Series, MKS, MKX, MKZ, MKT and Transit Connect; 20¢ per km for Expedition and Navigator, plus applicable taxes. Excess kilometrage charges subject to change, see your local dealer for details. All prices are based on Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price. ±Program in effect from May 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015 (the "Program Period"). To qualify, customer must recycle their vehicle through a Ford dealership by turning in a 2008 model year or older vehicle that is in running condition (able to start and move and without missing parts) and has been properly registered/plated or insured for the last 3 months (the "Criteria"). Eligible customers will receive $1,000 towards 2014/2015 Edge, Flex and 2015 Fusion, Fusion Hybrid, Fusion Energi, Mustang (excluding 50th Anniversary, Shelby GT350), Explorer, Escape and Expedition, $2,000 towards 2015 Taurus, Transit Connect, E-Series Cutaway, Transit Van, Transit Wagon, Transit Cutaway, F-150 (excluding XL 4x2), and $2,500 towards 2014 F-150 (excluding Raptor) and 2015 F-250 to F-550 (each an "Eligible Vehicle"). Vehicles of 2014 model year may qualify for the offer depending on available inventory – see dealer for details. Taxes payable before incentive amount is deducted. To qualify: (i) customer must, at the time of the Eligible Vehicle sale, demonstrate to the dealer / provide the dealer with sufficient proof of Criteria and a signed original ownership transferring his/her vehicle to the authorized recycler; and (ii) the Eligible Vehicle must be purchased, leased, or factory ordered during the Program Period. Limit one (1) incentive per Eligible Vehicle sale, up to a maximum of two (2) separate Eligible Vehicle sales if valid proof is provided that the customer has 2 separate qualifying recycled vehicles. Offer is transferable only to persons domiciled with the owner of the recycled vehicle. Offer is transferable only to persons domiciled with the owner of the recycled vehicle. Offers only valid at participating dealers. Retail offers may be cancelled or changed at any time without notice. For factory orders, a customer may either take advantage of eligible raincheckable Ford retail customer promotional incentives/offers available at the time of vehicle factory order or time of vehicle delivery, but not both or combinations thereof. Retail offers not combinable with any CPA/GPC or Daily Rental incentives, the Commercial Upfit Program or the Commercial Fleet Incentive Program (CFIP). See your Ford Dealer for complete details or call the Ford Customer Relationship Centre at 1-800-565-3673. ©2015 Sirius Canada Inc. "SiriusXM", the SiriusXM logo, channel names and logos are trademarks of SiriusXM Radio Inc. and are used under licence. ©2015 Ford Motor Company of Canada, Limited. All rights reserved.

SiriusXM

Available in most new Ford vehicles with 6-month pre-paid subscription

metro VIEWS
Your essential daily news
WEEKEND, May 29-31, 2015

# Happy face/Sad face

From **digital demons** to **Inuit archives** ,
Metro weighs in on the news making headlines this week

### True North strong and free?

According to American middle schoolers, the Canadian national anthem needs some revision. On a standardized civics test of 29,000 Grade 8 students, one-third answered that Canada, Australia and France "are controlled by the military," "discourage citizen participation" or "have leaders with absolute power." The correct multiple-choice response was that all three countries have power-limiting constitutions. CBC.CA

### Reward offered for Syria's loneliest bird

Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) has been blamed for yet another atrocity: the possible extinction of a rare bird in Palmyra, Syria. It's home to the only wild northern bald ibis outside of Morocco, a female named Zenobia who hasn't been seen since 2013. When Palmyra fell to ISIL, guards protecting three captive ibises — part of a conservation effort— fled. A Lebanese charity has offered $1,000 for info about Zenobia's whereabouts. BBC.COM

### Charlie, Charlie,gravity is spoooky

A freaky fad stole social media's soul this week. The Charlie Charlie Challenge originated as a Mexican playground game. To play, you cross two pencils on a piece of paper marked with "yes" and "no," say "Charlie, Charlie," and ask a question. If "Charlie" is there, the pencils will move and indicate an answer. The game purportedly summons a traditional Mexican "demon" named Charlie — though no such legend exists. THE NATIONAL POST

### Nameless in the North no more

Black-and-white photos with grim faces and no names take on new meaning when they're part of someone's story. A tool has launched to help Inuit families search Library and Archives Canada's online trove of pictures from Canada's North, some a century old or more. The crowd-sourced Project Naming, which is also launching on Facebook, asks people to identify loved ones and ancestors to help keep indigenous history alive. CBC NORTH

# Butter and eggs bust out after years in the cooler

THE KOHLER REPORT
**Rebecca Kohler**

I read an article this week about a recent study that says pedalling backward in a cycle-fit class is "better exercise" than pedalling forward. The news depressed me. That might not sound as depressing as some of the other stuff that's going on in the world — like global warming or war or the fact that Josh Duggar from 19 Kids has "made some very bad mistakes" — but to me it was an exhausting tidbit of information.

I find most things that follow the phrase "according to a recent study" irritating, because they often undermine something I thought I was doing right. Like, I take cycle-fit sometimes and, when I do, I pedal forward. While I used to pat myself on the back for trying to stay active, now I'll be thinking, "Forward pedalling? Pfft. What a loser."

Sure, if I saw the headline "Study finds poutine to be high in calories," I wouldn't be mad. I never eat poutine and think, "Good for you, Rebecca!" (If I'm eating poutine, I'm probably too drunk to think — am I right, folks?!)

But so many studies tell me that a good thing I'm doing could be better. It's as if every headline I read is something a passive-aggressive character would say in the movie Mean Girls: "Oh, you eat red apples? Cool. Green ones actually have fewer calories."

I'm aware that studies are important and have led to such societal improvements as cures for diseases. We *need* studies, I totes get it. But also, like, shut up, you know?

Because here's the other thing about many study findings: Later studies prove them wrong. Take the other new study I read this week, which found eggs and butter aren't that bad for us after all. This after years of "Butter will kill you. Egg yolks are bad. I'm going to irritate this waitress and order an egg-white omelette." Reading the new study, I pictured egg and butter as a couple of wrongly convicted criminals, walking free from prison after being exonerated. Toast was there (he's on probation) leaning up against a car, waiting to drive them straight into my stomach.

I don't know whether it's that they're doing more studies today or that the Internet just likes to smear the studies all over my eyeballs, but I wish there was an app that could block them.

**I'm aware that studies are important and have led to things like cures for diseases — like, we need studies, I totes get it. But also, like, shut up, you know?**

Because, let's face it, in a few years, studies will probably find that pedalling backward turns you into a witch.

---

**Rebecca Kohler** is a standup comic, writer, actor, gymnast, lawyer and chemist. (Some of this isn't true.) Follow her on Twitter @becca_kohler

# ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

metroview

## Being Catholic is like being American: an easy butt of jokes

I don't lack reasons to be embarrassed: shiny forehead, very loud voice, a sometimes uptight nature.

Some days, I even have the bonus of being Catholic. It's a bit like being an American — you're an easy butt of jokes.

The Vatican can't go long without sparking controversy, and the pope (any pope) can't go long without inflaming the global public.

Such was the case this week. After Ireland legalized same-sex marriage in a historic referendum, a senior Vatican official said: "I think that you cannot just talk of a defeat for Christian principles but of a defeat for humanity."

How ridiculous, and (perhaps inevitably) aggrandizing. A defeat for humanity is worsening climate change. A defeat for humanity is nuclear war. Even if you don't support same-sex marriage (I do), allowing it doesn't come with such dire consequences.

That's far from my first, or likely last, embarrassment.

Last month, Pope Francis defended women's rights, while completely ignoring the deeply ingrained patriarchy of the church. He's also warned Catholics they don't need to "breed like rabbits." Thanks for the tip.

And that's not to mention the church's horrific sexual abuse scandal or the corruption and infighting revealed in the document dump known as Vatileaks.

The Vatican can seem like it's aging out of relevance, obsessed with old rules over modern reality. It seems like an echo from another century.

That's why Pope Francis' election felt liberating. He's humble, focused more on poverty than abortion.

He is a bit like President Barack Obama. Both leaders came in on the winds of change and replaced staunch right-wing leaders.

Since both took office, their supporters have suffered disappointments. Yes, Pope Francis's gay-friendly, pro-environment stance gives me hope. Yes, Obama passed universal health care. But change hasn't been dramatic or instant under either leader. Both also have many opponents within their own ranks. Obama doesn't speak for all Americans. The Vatican doesn't speak for all Catholics.

Take Diarmuid Martin. The Archbishop of Dublin saw Ireland's referendum as a criticism of Catholicism, not of humanity.

"We have to stop and have a reality check, not move into denial of the realities," he told media.

They're not a ringing endorsement of equality — Martin does not want the church's definition of marriage changed — but his words are, at least, not embarrassing.

metro
Your essential daily news

STAR MEDIA GROUP PRESIDENT
**John Cruickshank**
VICE PRESIDENT & EDITOR
**Cathrin Bradbury**
VICE PRESIDENT & GROUP PUBLISHER METRO EASTERN CANADA
**Greg Lutes**
MANAGING EDITOR TORONTO
**Angela Mullins**
ADVERTISER INQUIRIES
adinfotoronto@metronews.ca
**General phone** 416-486-4900
FREE TO SHARE

PHILOSOPHER CAT
**by Jason Logan**

metro LIFE

Elizabeth Arden Introduces Prevage National Week May 23-29, 2015

# Say Aloha to your rep, Crowe

RETROSPECTIVE

## People forget, but this isn't director's only criticized film

IN FOCUS
**Richard Crouse**

**Aloha isn't the only not-amazing movie Cameron Crowe ever made, Richard Crouse reminds us.** HANDOUT

For years Cameron Crowe could do no wrong. As the screenwriter of Fast Times at Ridgemont High (based on his book of the same name) and director of Say Anything and Singles, he became what The New York Times called, "a cinematic spokesman for the post-baby boom generation."

His biggest hit, Jerry Maguire was a romantic comedy that gave Renée Zellweger a career, Cuba Gooding Jr. an Oscar and us the catchphrase, "Show me the money!"

Then came his acknowledged masterpiece Almost Famous, the semi-autobiographical story of a young music journalist on the road with a band at an age when most kids still had a curfew.

He was a critical darling with box-office clout but then came a string of films that failed to connect with audiences.

This weekend he's back with Aloha, an "action romance" starring Bradley Cooper as a military contractor stationed with the U.S. Space program in Honolulu who reconnects with a past love (Rachel McAdams) while developing feelings for a stern Air Force watchdog (Emma Stone).

Pre-release, the film may be best known as the subject of a brutal Amy Pascal email.

In the Sony hack, leaked correspondence from the former SPE co-chairman suggested she was not happy with the movie.

"I don't care how much I love the director and the actors," she said, "it never, not even once, ever works."

Variety recently reported that the film has been recut since Pascal's scathing review and quotes a current Sony executive as saying, "Is it Say Anything or Jerry Maguire? Probably not, but is it a really entertaining movie for an audience? Yes, it is."

Moviegoers will decide the fate of Aloha, but its release begs for a reassessment of Crowe's recent, less successful films.

A remake of the Spanish film Open Your Eyes, 2001's Vanilla Sky starred three of Hollywood's hottest stars of the moment, Tom Cruise, Cameron Diaz and Penelope Cruz in a dark thriller about a self-obsessed playboy whose life is turned upside down after reconstructive surgery on his face.

The surreal blend of romance and sci-fi threw critics off, but a another viewing a decade after its release reveals a daring movie that examines regret, desire and mortality.

An enjoyable darkly comic romance, Elizabethtown got trounced by critics (it currently sits at 28 per cent on Rotten Tomatoes) but is a great showcase for star Kirsten Dunst.

She is frequently good in films, but here she really steals this movie as the cute and kooky stewardess who has several unforgettable moments — when she tells Bloom (Orlando Bloom) to stop trying to break up with her and her giggly reaction when Bloom asks her a personal question on the telephone.

Without her performance the trip to Elizabethtown wouldn't be nearly as much fun.

Finally, We Bought a Zoo, the story of a widower who swallows his grief by buying a zoo and finding love, shouldn't work. It's too sentimental and manipulative by half, but luckily Matt Damon is there to ground the flighty story.

A postscript (and no, I'm not going to tell you what it is) that even Steven Spielberg would find schmaltzy, works because star Damon hits all the right notes and Crowe's dialogue sings. A father-and-son argument is a showstopper and you'll likely never use the word "whatever" again without thinking of this movie.

### MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse

**San Andreas** ★
**Aloha** ★★
**I'll See You in My Dreams** ★★★★
**Survivor** ★

| HOW RATING WORKS | |
|---|---|
| ★★★★ | SEE IT |
| ★★★ | WORTHWHILE |
| ★★ | UP TO YOU |
| ★ | SKIP IT |

POWER OF PREVAGE® NATIONAL WEEK
May 23–29, 2015
PREVAGE® with Idebenone helps reverse the signs of environmental damage, the #1 cause of aging skin.*
PREVAGE® Anti-aging Treatment Boosting Cleanser, 125 ml with the purchase of any PREVAGE® serum. A $59 value.***
Elizabeth Arden NEW YORK
*Bahman, G et al (2009), Factors Contributing to the Facial Aging of Identical Twins.
**With the purchase of any serum, May 23-29, 2015. One per customer, while stocks last.
***Value based on ml/g maximum value. ©2015 Elizabeth Arden, Inc.

FREE** FULL SIZE 7 days only!
available at Shoppers Drug Mart and Hudson's Bay

# Gugino talks triumph amid disaster

SAN ANDREAS

## Star says people can learn a lot from new blockbuster

Richard Crouse
Metro | Life

**Carla Gugino as Emma in the action thriller San Andreas.** COURTESY OF WARNER BROS. PICTURES

Carla Gugino was living in New York in September 2001. Every day she would look at the Twin Towers from her window, and then, one morning they were gone. The rush of emotions she felt on 9/11 stayed with her as she filmed her new movie, the earthquake disaster flick San Andreas.

"I thought about it a lot in the way Dwayne Johnson's character and my character reconnect in this movie," she says.

In the film she plays Johnson's estranged wife who teams with him to rescue their daughter from a devastating earthquake that rips California in half.

"What I found so smart and well done is that they connect not in a cliché way or in a sentimental way; they reconnect because they may not be alive the next day. In those moments, which was very much the case with 9/11 and what happened that morning, you realize you want to go help people. You want to be with the people you love and you want to not sweat the small stuff. It contextualizes life in such a radical way."

> **This is a movie that does not take Mother Nature or her tics lightly.**
> Carla Gugino

Warner Bros. chose not to change the release date of San Andreas in light of the recent deadly earthquakes in Nepal. Instead they've used the film's trailers and ads to raise awareness about relief efforts and have vowed to match donations made by their employees.

"There were always going to be public service announcements after the trailer and the film," Gugino adds. "But then they were specifically geared toward Nepal.

"This is a movie that does not take Mother Nature or her tics lightly and I think it's about the triumph of the human spirit, which is what always amazes me.

"At 9/11 and seeing this terrible situation in Nepal, the thing you are reminded of is the resilience of the human spirit."

The actress, best known for her roles in Spy Kids and Sin City, lives in New York but spent 20 years living in Los Angeles on top of the shaky San Andreas fault line.

"I've been in a couple of big ones in L.A. and they are intense," she says. "The first one I ran outside which is exactly what you are not supposed to do. That is a good thing about San Andreas, you actually learn some stuff too — the whole under a doorway, or under a desk ting. Or under Dwayne Johnson. That is one of the advantages of his size."

HELP PLAN TRANSIT IN TORONTO

The City of Toronto, TTC and Metrolinx are working together to bring more transit to communities across the city with connections to the entire Greater Toronto and Hamilton Region.

Please join us at a Public Information Session to learn more about network transit planning and the projects that will transform the way you move around Toronto and beyond.

**THE PROJECTS – FOUR MAJOR TRANSIT STUDIES ARE INTERRELATED**

| Network analysis by Metrolinx | Network analysis by the City of Toronto and TTC | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. GO Regional Express Rail (RER) | 2. SmartTrack | 3. Scarborough Subway Extension | 4. Relief Line |

These projects have a positive impact on the overall transit network by:
a) Improving the network by creating connections between future projects and existing lines, and b) Coordinating regional and local priorities.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSIONS** (venues are accessible) The following four sessions will provide an overview of the four major transit studies listed above.

**Saturday June 13 – Etobicoke**
Burnhamthorpe Collegiate Institute
500 The East Mall
9:30 am – 12:30 pm

**Wednesday June 17 – North York**
Spring Garden Baptist Church
112 Spring Garden Ave
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

**Saturday June 20 – Downtown**
Hyatt Regency Hotel Regency Ballroom
370 King Street West
9:30 am – 12:30 pm

**Monday June 22 – Scarborough**
Winston Churchill Collegiate Institute
2239 Lawrence Ave East
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

The following four sessions will focus on specific projects as noted.

**Monday June 15 – Relief Line**
Estonian House
958 Broadview Ave
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

**Thursday June 18 – SmartTrack**
Archbishop Romero Catholic Secondary School – 99 Humber Blvd. South
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

**Wednesday June 24 – Scarborough Subway Extension**
Scarborough Civic Centre
150 Borough Drive 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

**Thursday June 25 – Relief Line**
Riverdale Collegiate Institute
1094 Gerrard St East
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

The same information will be available at each meeting and online, so you can choose the location or format convenient for you.

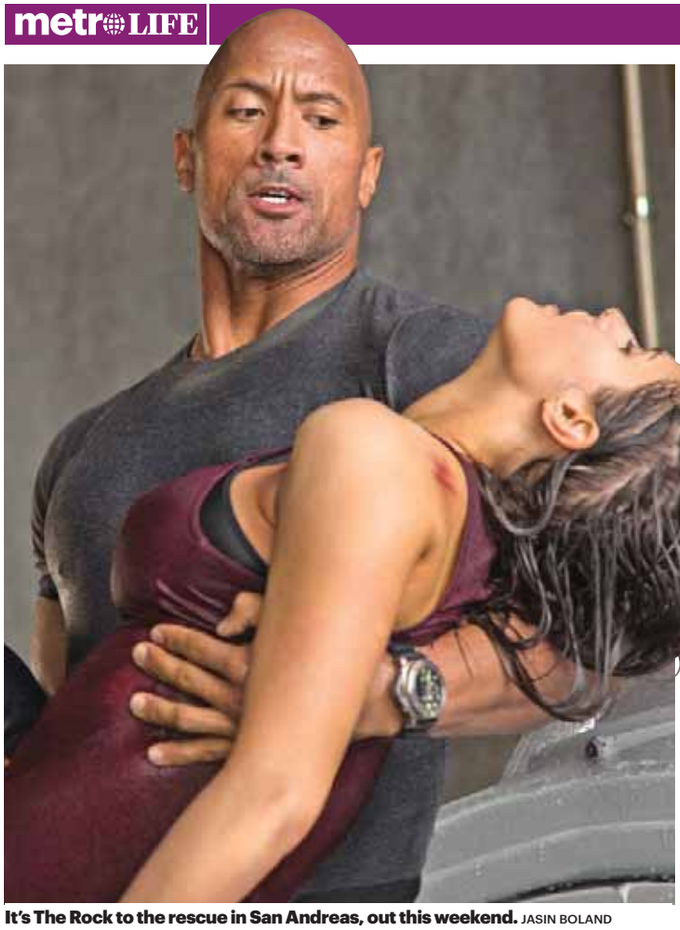
We look forward to seeing you there. If you require accessibility accommodations, please contact us before June 8 by email at TransitTO@toronto.ca, or phone 416-338-2848.

**Unable to attend a public meeting?**
Material presented at these meetings will be available online. For more information, use the following contacts:

**City of Toronto**
TransitTO@toronto.ca
tel: 416-338-2848 fax: 416-392-1591
www.toronto.ca/TransitTO

**Metrolinx**
stakeholderrelations@metrolinx.com
tel: 416-202-5589
www.metrolinx.com

TORONTO
METROLINX
An agency of the Government of Ontario



It's The Rock to the rescue in San Andreas, out this weekend. JASIN BOLAND

# The Rock takes on Mother Nature

SAN ANDREAS

## Dwayne Johnson plays the hero in disaster flick

Ned Ehrbar
Metro | Life

Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson recently received a letter from a big-name fan, and it's been making him think back a lot to his childhood.

"When I was 8 years old, I saw Raiders of the Lost Ark in Charlotte, North Carolina. I walked out of there so inspired. I loved the movie and I knew I wanted to be that guy — charming, cool, kicks ass, cool with the ladies — but I had no connection to Hollywood. So to be sitting here today, I'm grateful and very happy," Johnson says.

"And I received a letter from that gentleman who directed Raiders of the Lost Ark. Very cool. He reached out and he said a lot of cool, motivating things."

Johnson is in the midst of promoting San Andreas, a Hollywood action flick in which he plays a Los Angeles Fire Department rescue pilot facing off against the biggest earthquake in California history. It's not exactly Indiana Jones, but he clearly overcame that whole no-connection-to-Hollywood thing.

For Johnson, even when making a big, loud summer action spectacle, it's important that the science is right. And even though U.S. Geological Survey seismologist Dr. Lucy Jones heavily criticized the film after being invited by the studio to see it — "Bottom line: Don't learn seismology from 'San Andreas,'" she tweeted — Johnson insists that as far as he knows everything on screen passes muster.

"We had the best seismologists, top scientists and earthquake scientists from CalTech and USC pore over the script, challenge the script and then ultimately walk away from it saying, 'This could happen. We hope it doesn't, but it could happen,'" he insists.

And, of course, serious earthquakes did recently occur on the other side of the world in Nepal. And that kind of front-and-centre current event can make turning natural disaster into big-screen entertainment a dicey prospect.

> **"You go into a project like this with everything you've got — your heart and your soul — and you just want to make a good movie."**
> Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson

"We made the movie knowing and understanding the content of it. These things happen," Johnson says.

"It was so unfortunate, incredibly unfortunate. Our prayers and thoughts continue to go out to everybody in Nepal and everybody who was affected by that. But, you know, the truth is you go into a project like this with everything you've got — your heart and your soul — and you just want to make a good movie."

COBS
FRESH BREAD
OUR BUNS HAVE NO ADDED PRESERVATIVES AND ARE BAKED FRESH EVERY DAY.
Visit any of our 16 Ontario bakeries located in:
AURORA | BURLINGTON | MAPLE | MISSISSAUGA | NEWMARKET | OAKVILLE | TORONTO | VAUGHAN
WWW.COBSBREAD.COM

In Big Muddy, Nadia Litz plays Martha, a single mom caught in a web of crime and desperation.
CONTRIBUTED

# Litz gets gritty in thriller Big Muddy

NEW FILM

## Actress embraces her messy female character

**Chris Alexander**
Metro | Life

Actress Nadia Litz is a force of nature. The petite-in-stature-but-towering-in-presence Canadian performer is not only a noted thespian, she's a producer, director and an intellectual who is currently hard at work editing her feature directorial debut. In the meantime, however, Litz stars in new Canadian thriller Big Muddy, a gritty film that casts her as Martha, a troubled single mother caught in a web of crime and desperation and a woman who defies the traditional template of female protagonist.

"I think Martha is an anti-hero," Litz says. "(Director) Jefferson (Moneo) was playing with western tropes, playing the idea of a character that is really a mess; a female who is making choices that conflict with her family life. Some will find her villainous, selfish and a terrible mom but some will find her heroic and just trying to find her independence."

Big Muddy (named after the Saskatchewan prairie town that Martha and her son seek refuge in) is an atmospheric and brooding film with an orchestral score that would feel at home in a Brian De Palma picture. But although the movie plays with traditional American genre tropes, there is still something uniquely Canadian about it; a kind of Canuck Gothic, if you will.

"This is a neo-noir," Litz says, "and that's my favourite genre. Jefferson knew from reading my Facebook page what movies I was interested in; we had the same vernacular. There's a lot of Bonnie and Clyde in here; a lot of The Searchers. But there's a rich history of outlaws in the badlands of Saskatchewan, and that kind of mythmaking is something Canadian movies rarely explore."

> **This is a neo-noir and that's my favourite genre**
> Nadia Litz

Litz's aforementioned directorial debut is called The People Garden, another riff on the traditional noir, about a woman named Sweetpea (played by Dree Hemingway, Ernest's granddaughter) who goes to Japan to potentially break up with her boyfriend only to find he's gone missing. A serpentine detective story ensues, with Sweetpea's emotional conflict about her lover matched by her obsession to find him.

"I want to create roles for women that are as exciting as the kind of roles, say, Jack Nicholson would have gotten. Strong, complicated characters who make difficult decisions. And I will do this, whether it's me playing them or creating them."

Introducing the NEW
wheels.ca
Brought to you by
TOYOTA

Browse Articles, Vehicle Research and Vehicle listings by Lifestyle
Browse our collection of Guides and Road Trips for the perfect getaway
Research and Compare to find the vehicle that's right for your Lifestyle

Lindt
SPRING MEGA SALE!
May 28-31 ONLY!
100 Lindor Truffles for $30*
55% OFF

35% OFF ENTIRE STORE
PLUS OTHER GREAT OFFERS UP TO 50% OFF*!

Go to www.lindtboutique.ca for store hours.

***Toronto PATH*** 130 King St. W
***Don Mills*** 14 Aggie Hogg Gardens
***Scarborough*** 2250 Markham Rd.
***Etobicoke*** 1557 The Queensway
***Mississauga*** 7090 Kennedy Rd.
***Oakville*** 3487 Wyecroft Rd.
***Halton Hills*** 13850 Steeles Ave.
***Kitchener*** 4500 King St. E
***Niagara-on-the-Lake*** 300 Taylor Rd.
***London*** 1230 Wellington Rd. S

*Discount applied to regular priced merchandise only. Does not include Gift Cards or Standard Gifting. Offer valid while supplies last. Product selection may vary by store. See in store for additional sale details. Some exceptions apply. Cannot be combined with any other offer or promotion.

# Now playing

HORROR

## Debug

**Director: David Hewlett**
**Starring: Jeananne Goossen, Adam Butcher**

Six young computer hackers sent to work on a derelict space freighter are forced to match wits with a vengeful artificial intelligence that would kill to be human.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE

Critics: No reviews yet

Audience: +90%

WESTERN/DRAMA

## Big Muddy

**Director: Jefferson Moneo**
**Starring: Nadia Litz, Justin Kelly**

An outlaw tale played out as a modern day murder ballad, Big Muddy follows grifter Martha Barlow who must come to terms with her dark past after her teenage son commits a horrible crime.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE

Critics: No reviews yet

Audience: 0%

MYSTERY/SUSPENSE

## Survivor

**Director: James McTeigue**
**Starring: Milla Jovovich, Emma Thompson**

After being mysteriously framed for a terrorist bombing, a Foreign Service Officer must evade government capture and death by a ruthless assassin in order to stop the real perpetrators' master — and much deadlier — plan.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE

Critics: 0%

Audience: + 91%

DRAMA/COMEDY

## I'll See You In My Dreams

**Director: Brett Haley**
**Starring: Blythe Danner, Martin Starr**

Carol is a retired schoolteacher and a longtime widow in her 70s. When her beloved dog dies, there's a mournful vacuum that draws new attachments into her world. And then there's Bill, who comes out of nowhere.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE

Critics: 91%

Audience: 90%

DOCUMENTARY

## I Am Big Bird

**Director: Chad N. Walker, Dave LaMattina**
**Starring: Carroll Spinney, Jim Henson**

For 45 years, Caroll Spinney has been beloved by children as the man behind Sesame Street's Big Bird and Oscar the Grouch — and at 80 years old, he has no intention of stopping. A loving portrait of the man in the yellow suit, I Am Big Bird features extraordinary footage of Spinney.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE

Critics: 85%

Audience: 86%

COMEDY

## Results

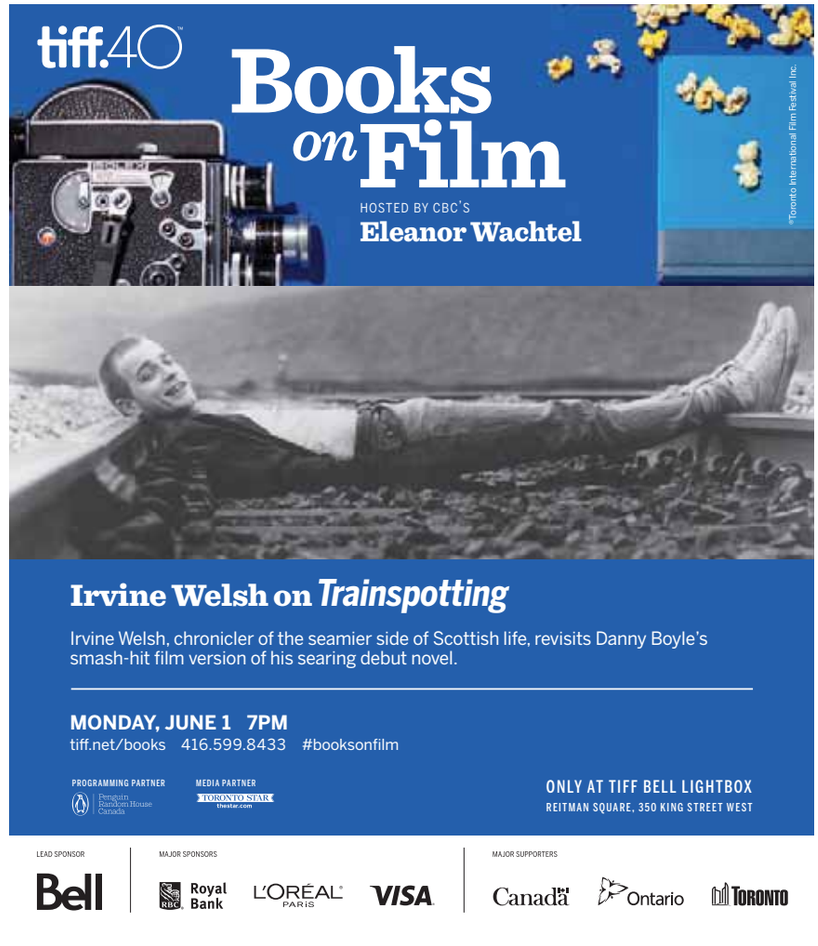
**Director: Andrew Bujalski**
**Starring: Guy Pearce, Cobie Smulders**

Recently divorced, newly rich, and utterly miserable, Danny (Kevin Corrigan) would seem to be the perfect test subject for a definitive look at the relationship between money and happiness. Danny's well-funded ennui is interrupted by a momentous trip to the local gym.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE

Critics: 77%

Audience: +88%



# THE WORD FROM THE BIRD

DOCUMENTARY

## Caroll Spinney talks about being Big Bird for almost half a century

Richard Crouse
Metro | Life

Big Bird is, arguably, one of the best-known characters on the planet but how much do we really know about him? We know he's yellow, eight feet two inches tall, and lives in a large nest behind 123 Sesame Street — but the rest is murky.

A new documentary, I Am Big Bird, exposes Caroll Spinney, the man who has spent 45 years beneath the Muppet's felt and feathers and knows the bird better than anyone. Spinney is Big Bird and Big Bird is Spinney.

1 Muppet mastermind Jim Henson created Big Bird, but Spinney says, "I was given a lot of freedom to create the kind of guy he is. He's a person like I was as a kid, except he doesn't get pushed around as much.

"I was the smallest boy in my class so there is a lot of satisfaction playing the largest character who's ever been on television.

"To be loved like a little child but be eight-feet-two, what a strange accomplishment."

2 Caroll's relationship with Big Bird lasted longer than his first marriage, which blew up because his then-wife was "embarrassed" by his career choice, but Spinney calls his job "a dream come true.

"From the moment I first became aware of television I knew I wanted to be on TV regularly for children. So many of the things that have happened for me have been things I dreamed of doing."

As for retiring?

"I can't imagine it," he says. "It keeps me young."

3 Underneath Big Bird's feathers is a device called "an electric bra" strapped to Spinney's chest so he can see what's happening outside the feathers.

"We call it that just as a joke," says Spinney.

"It's really a TV monitor, a tiny little television set. We have a new one now, an LED monitor and it is too big. It takes up room and it is robbing me of space for the scripts inside."

4 Caroll is President Obama's ninth cousin, but Big Bird isn't political in the least.

"Big Bird, I'm told by the owners of him, does not have political opinions. I thought of an idea that would get around that problem if someone (ever asked about it). 'I don't know who that is,' he says in Big's voice. 'I thought we had a king.' In most fairy tales, lands are run by kings or queens."

5 NASA invited Big Bird to be a passenger on the doomed Space Shuttle Challenger to get kids interested in the space program.

"I said, 'Yes, I'd love to go.' About a month later they found out there was no place on the craft to put Big Bird. I realized it would be dangerous, but who could picture what actually happened?"

Caroll Spinney, left, and Muppet costume designer Kermit Love take a break on the set of the Muppet Movie in 1978. CONTRIBUTED

Big Bird has worked with plenty of talent over the years, including Janelle Monae. CONTRIBUTED

FOOD AND FILM

## Checking out sites and bites in colourful Los Angeles

THE TV DINNER

Jessica Allen

Besides being film luminaries, what do Marilyn Monroe, Greta Garbo and Elizabeth Taylor have in common? They all once lived at the Sunset Tower in West Hollywood. So, too, did John Wayne. He even kept a cow on his terrace so he could provide guests with fresh milk.

I was craving a taste of old Hollywood — both literally and figuratively — when I recently visited Los Angeles. So I called the art deco tower, now a hotel, home for two luxurious nights. If only those walls could talk.

The walls of the Frolic Room, one decorated by the New York caricaturist Al Hirschfeld, seem to whisper of the bar's glory days from the 1930s. It eventually morphed into "Hollywood's best dive bar," according to LA Weekly, and "one of the only places (screenwriter Charles) Bukowski obsessives agree that he actually haunted."

Long-time bartender Gita Bull, who probably served Bukowski himself, served me my $6 drink.

Just down the street on Hollywood Boulevard, in front of John Barrymore's star, is Hollywood's oldest restaurant Musso & Frank Grill, where the servers wear red jackets with black lapels and bow ties. I sat at the bar in order to watch chef Indolfo, who has been manning the charcoal grill for 31 years. What I couldn't see was a kitchen chit. When Indolfo swung by to ask how my steak was (perfect), I asked him how he kept all the orders straight. "It's all up here," he said, pointing to his head.

Who says you can't have a Reuben for breakfast? Nobody at Canter's Deli on North Fairfax. The art deco room looks cinematic; no wonder it's featured in movies and TV. Regulars know staff members by name. I overheard my server telling a patron about some of the notables who'd visited — Diana Ross, President Obama. Nicholas Cage apparently met his first wife here.

Right before I checked out of the Sunset Tower, I took one last peek into the Tower Bar, where Hollywood's most illustrious movers and shakers come to unwind, thanks in large part to the no photo policy. Hotel ambassador Tim Cunningham had earlier walked me through the space, which was Bugsy Siegel's old apartment, and pointed out the photographs of long-gone vaudevillians that line the walls. Most had never really made it. But in a way, Cunningham said, considering who sits in this room night after night, they finally had.

The Sunset Tower in West Hollywood.
JESSICA ALLEN; STARLET PHOTOGRAPHS: FILE PHOTOS

# TV's lame riffs on old films

NETWORK TREND

## Movie-based shows that make TV extra unoriginal this fall

**Brian Gasparek**
For Metro Life

When did TV get so unoriginal? Aside from a handful of cable gems, the majority of popular shows these days revolve around repetitive competitions, countless superhero shows, formulaic reality TV and a heck of a lot of pawning. And sadly, after glancing at the lineup of shows that are set to debut later this year, it looks like TV about to get even less original thanks to a new trend.

Following in the footsteps of The Odd Couple from earlier this year, four of the biggest TV shows premiering this fall are all lifting their premise directly from old movies. This trend of reusing films to create new show ideas seems to be the latest form of creative apathy that's plaguing the big three networks. And whether we like the trend or not, it's happening. Sigh.

Here's a look at the four big movie-based shows premiering this fall and why we really don't need them.

**Rush Hour**
CBS is cranking out a Rush Hour show based on the dreadfully unfunny buddy cop films starring Jackie Chan and Chris Tucker. Although none of the three Rush Hour films were well received by critics, they still somehow made a ton of cash.

Rush Hour's premise will just mimic the films, but the less expensive Jon Foo and Justin Hires will replace Chan and Tucker. Rush Hour's film director and movie-disaster mastermind Brett Ratner will be producing the show, which should ensure a similar quality to the films. Lucky us. We get more bad jokes with less star power. Perfect.

**Minority Report**
Fox is hoping it can flip 2002's Steven Spielberg/Tom Cruise big money blockbuster Minority Report in a prime-time TV hit.

The show will be based in the film's world, revolving around a detective and a "pre-cog" that solve weekly crimes together. Wait, doesn't that just sound like Bones in the future? Snooze.

With a TV-sized budget, Fox's bad sci-fi track record and the show's played-out sounding premise, there's no possible way this show an live up to the movie's hype with fans. So why bother?

**Limitless**
CBS is actually recycling two films. In addition to Rush Hour, the network will turn Bradley Cooper's 2011 sci-fi movie Limitless into a show. In all fairness, this one may have some potential.

Produced by Cooper, the show stars Jake McDorman as a new NZT drug addict who uses his enhanced brainpower to help the FBI crack cases. Cooper will reprise his film role as Eddie Morra in several episodes.

Jadedness aside, Limitless might be more of a film continuation on television than just a recycled idea. Maybe it's worth a shot?

ALL PHOTOS HANDOUTS

**Uncle Buck**
This is absolutely the worst idea. ABC's Uncle Buck is a cheesy sounding family sitcom named after John Candy's 1989 classic comedy. The show has nothing to do with the film, aside from the fact it features an uncle named "Buck" (played by Mike Epps) that moves in with his brother and looks after his kids.

The worst part about the show is that it's being produced by the guys that made MadTV. Oh boy. Epps and the MadTV guys butchering a classic for no apparent reason. At least call it something else. Poor John Candy is rolling over in his grave.

Show dad you think
**he's the best.**

There's one person who's always given you his best. So this Father's Day it's time to give him our best with perfection in every pass, laser-guided precision or a smooth glide for maximum comfort. With Philips grooming products, he'll get just what he needs to look and feel his best.

**Shop Philips today and save up to $20 with a coupon. Save.ca/philips**

innovation you

PHILIPS

**Shaver series 9000** Perfection in every pass.

**Beardtrimmer series 9000** Laser guided precision.

**Shaver series 7000** Smooth glide maximum comfort.

PHILIPS

A STAR ALLIANCE MEMBER

# SAVE ON SUMMER FLIGHTS TO TOKYO AND OSAKA.

Our Japan summer sale is on now.

With daily service to Haneda and Narita airports in Tokyo, as well as new seasonal service to Osaka on Air Canada rouge, there's never been a better time to visit Japan.

Offer ends June 5, 2015. Book now at aircanada.com or call your travel agent.

**OSAKA**

JUNE 24, 2015 – AUG. 22, 2015

$1299

**TOKYO-HANEDA**

JUNE 24, 2015 – AUG. 22, 2015

$1597

**TOKYO-NARITA**

JUNE 24, 2015 – AUG. 22, 2015

$1596

aeroplan

Japan. Endless Discovery.

AIR CANADA rouge

Sample round-trip prices from Toronto. Departure dates as indicated above. Total price includes air transportation charges, taxes, fees and charges.

AIR CANADA *Your world awaits.*

**Hearing-impaired (TTY): 1-800-361-8071. Baggage policy for Economy Class: International travel:** A fee of up to $100 (CAD) per direction is charged for the second checked bag on flights between Canada and most international destinations. A different fee may be charged for checked bags by Air Canada partners on the flights they operate. See total price for baggage fees and complete details on baggage allowance at www.aircanada.com/baggage. Fees for optional services such as itinerary changes, additional baggage, advance seat selection or certain special service requests may increase overall cost. For more information, please consult www.aircanada.com/en/travelinfo/products_services.html. **Conditions: OSAKA (KIX):** Tickets must be purchased by June 5, 2015. Advertised fares are valid on AC1951/AC1952 only. Maximum stay: 3 months. Fare is valid Monday through Wednesday and for inbound returning travel June 29, 2015 through October 24, 2015. **Tokyo (HND):** Tickets must be purchased by June 9, 2015. Maximum stay: 12 months. Fare is valid Monday through Thursday. **Tokyo (NRT):** Tickets must be purchased by June 9, 2015. Fare is valid Monday through Thursday and for inbound returning travel June 25, 2015 through October 24, 2015. **Additional conditions:** Seats are limited and subject to availability. Total prices displayed include air transportation charges, taxes, fees and charges calculated based on nonstop flights. Taxes and fees are subject to change. Final price and breakdown of taxes, fees and charges will be displayed during booking on www.aircanada.com prior to final purchase. For immediate information on the final price and breakdown of taxes, fees and charges, contact your travel agent or Air Canada Reservations at 1-888-247-2262. Some itineraries may require connections. Itineraries involving connections may have higher or different total prices due to varying air transportation charges as well as taxes, fees and charges. Certain international destinations may have taxes, fees or charges that must be paid at point of origin or departure. Please contact the nearest foreign government office of the country you plan to visit for definitive, up-to-date information. Tickets are refundable subject to a fee of $300 (CAD). Advertised prices are valid at time of printing and apply to new bookings only. Prices may vary depending on routing and date of departure and return. Day-of-week, time-of-day restrictions may apply. This offer may not be combined with, applied to or used in conjunction with any other discount. Flights may be operated by Air Canada, Air Canada Express™ carriers (Jazz Aviation LP, Central Mountain Air, Sky Regional Airlines Inc., Air Georgian or Exploits Valley Air Services Ltd.) or Star Alliance™ partners Lufthansa (LH), Swiss (LX), Austrian Airlines (OS) or Brussels Airlines (SN). **International destinations:** For certain international destinations, a cancellation fee may apply. Other flight restrictions and purchase conditions may apply. ™Air Canada Express is a trademark of Air Canada. ™Star Alliance is a trademark of Air Canada in Canada.

metro TRAVEL
Your essential daily news
A record 17.4 million tourists visited London in 2014

# Idaho's Weiser River Trail

UNITED STATES

## Small towns, apple trees, and pastures await cyclists

No matter how speedily things are moving in the outside world, the pace is slow and steady on central Idaho's Weiser River Trail, a converted rail bed in one of this state's most beautiful areas.

The trail takes travellers through forest, orchards, ranchland, and then, in the southern portion, through spectacular sagebrush canyons with black lava cliffs.

Visitors can cycle along the trail, starting at the upper end, about 600 vertical metres above the endpoint in Weiser. (Heading in the other direction would be an uphill journey.)

The Pacific & Idaho Northern railroad company, or P&IN, blazed the trail through the landscape around the turn of the 19th century, reaching the small town of Council in 1901, according to a recent history of the area by Dale Fisk, the editor of the local Adams County Record newspaper.

The railroad was built to take travellers between the city of Boise and the small towns of Weiser, Midvale, Council and Cambridge.

**Bicycle bridges populate the Weiser River Trail in central Idaho.** ANNE WALLACE ALLEN VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**2**

**Days it will take recreational cyclists to ride the entire Weiser River Trail.**
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It carried Gold Rush fortune-hunters up to the mountains, and brought copper ore from the mountain's mines back to the city.

Things are a little quieter on the trail these days. Union Pacific deeded the right-of-way to the non-profit group Friends of the Weiser River Trail in August 1997, and the Friends have worked hard to maintain the rail bed for runners, walkers, hunters and bikers.

The upper end of the trail starts off on an unmarked dirt road just off Highway 95 near the small town of New Meadows. It quickly enters the woods, passing over streams on exquisite trestle bridges that have been remade for bicyclists. The trail passes by the Tamarack Lumber Mill and its colossal log yard before heading away from the road.

Riding the Weiser River Trail is serene, but it isn't easy. The Friends group uses a mechanical roller to flatten the terrain, but they can't pave it; not only do they not have the money, but some of their most fervent supporters ride horses on it. So for bikers, the terrain is packed dirt, soft enough to slow progress, and is occasionally studded with rocks. Cattle gates cause frequent stops.

But the beauty and surprises of travelling so far from roads more than make up for the labour of riding the bumps. Around Fruitvale, overloaded apple trees lined the trail. A local man who was collecting apples said the trees were from Fruitvale's days as a minor orchard area.

The trail also passes unexpectedly through a tidy water-bottling operation housed in stone buildings owned by Whole Foods, the grocery store chain.

The enticing thing about the trail is it travels to places few people ever get to see, through river valleys that look almost untouched by humans, through cattle pastures where the animals and green trees appear recently washed by the rain. It also runs deep into Owyhee canyonlands, where birds of prey, elk, mule deer and bear shelter. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### IF YOU GO

**Length:**

• The trail is a 137-kilometre route that begins near New Meadows, Idaho, near Highway 95, and ends at Weiser.

**Get there:**

• The southern point of the trail, in Weiser, is about 120 kilometres north of Boise, Idaho's capital city.

• For information about being dropped off with bicycles at the top of the trail, contact the Colonial Motel in Weiser, at 208-549-0150 or 866-420-2143, or colonialmotel.us/.

• The Colonial Motel owners provide friendly shuttle service and great advice. Or get in touch with the volunteers who maintain the Weiser River Trail at weiserrivertrail.org/ for advice on where to stay and how to travel the trail.

**Sleep:**

• In Cambridge: Mundo Hot Springs and RV Park, idaho-rv.blogspot.com/, has tent sites, a hostel, and a sparkling geothermal swimming pool. Call 208-257-3849 or 208-907-2401. Dogs are welcome.

• In Council: Elkhorn Bed & Breakfast, elkhornbnb.com, is a pet-friendly (including mules and horses) environment. Call 208-741-2071.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

JUNE SPECIALS TO HOLGUIN, CUBA!

Holguin
Club Amigo Atlantico Guardalavaca ★★★
Jun 19 • 1 week • All Inclusive
$258 +$210 TAXES & FEES

Holguin
Brisas Covarrubias ★★★
Jun 19 • 1 week • All Inclusive
$288 +$210 TAXES & FEES

Holguin
Brisas Guardalavaca ★★★★
Jun 19 • 1 week • All Inclusive
$378 +$210 TAXES & FEES

Hola Sun
The Cuba Specialist

411travelbuys.ca 1.877.411.6359
Mon-Thur: 9-8 Fri: 9-5 Sat: 9-5 Sun:10-4
Lowest Price GUARANTEED!

INCLUDES Free "tours" exclusive for Hola Sun passengers when booking a package to Varadero, Cayo Coco, Holguin, Havana, Santiago de Cuba or Camaguey.

Prices are in CAD, per person, based on double occupancy and subject to change without notice. Space is subject to availability at time of booking. Rates based on lowest room category offered. All departures are from Toronto on Cubana Airlines or Air Transat and taxes of $210 must be added to the published rates. All ebb's mentioned will reflect in the published rate. Refer to our 2014/2015 brochure for full terms and conditions. Hola Sun Holidays • 146 West Beaver Creek Rd., Unit 8, Richmond Hill, L4B 1C2. Ont Reg. 4062527.
tico.ca Cuba

**Golfers make their way down the Old Course at St. Andrews, Scotland.** KAIA MEANS VIA VISIT BRITAIN

# Golfers, mark your calendars

SCOTLAND

## Festival, tournaments pack game's birthplace

**Brian Kendall**
canadiangolftraveller.com

From the Open Championship in St. Andrews to a new golf festival near Edinburgh, Scotland offers more reasons than ever for a return to the birthplace of the game.

With more than 550 courses — including many of the world's iconic seaside links — Scotland has always overwhelmed golfers with choices.

But this year the birthplace of the game appears determined to outdo itself.

From the Scottish and Open Championships to an inaugural golf festival, Scotland's calendar is filled with events aimed at fuelling a golf tourism industry that generates revenues of more than $358 million annually.

First up among the headline attractions is the Aberdeen Asset Management Scottish Open, July 9 to 12. Played at Gullane Golf Club, a classic links near Edinburgh, the tournament grows more popular and attracts a stronger field every year. In 2013, Phil Mickelson used his victory in the event as a springboard to an even more magnificent performance the following week in capturing the Open Championship at Muirfield.

The Open, golf's oldest and most prestigious tourney, returns for the 29th time to what many believe is its natural home, the Old Course in St. Andrews.

> **St. Andrews is a starkly beautiful tumble of sandstone buildings blackened with age**

Golf's greatest players will do battle July 16 to 19 in a historic seaside town where the game has been played for more than 550 years. As recognizably Scottish as the kilt and sporran, St. Andrews is a starkly beautiful tumble of sandstone buildings blackened with age and cathedral spires that thrust like medieval pikes into the sky.

Looming at cliff-top are the picturesque ruins of St. Andrews Castle. The University of St. Andrews, founded in 1413 and the oldest and most prestigious university in Scotland, dominates the downtown. And at the town's heart is the Old Course, a links shaped more by Mother Nature than man and a first glimpse of heaven for everyone who loves the game.

Among this year's Open highlights will be the farewell appearances of past champions Tom Watson and Sir Nick Faldo after 38 and 37 Open Championships respectively.

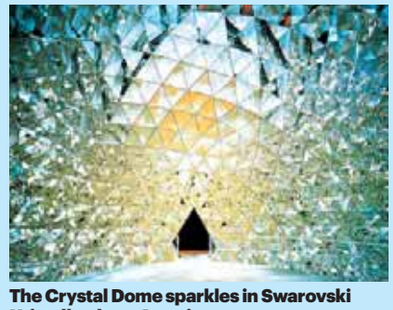
Rounding out the golf season is the inaugural Scotland's Golf Coast Festival, Oct. 18 to 25. Held in the picturesque and golf-rich district of East Lothian, just outside Edinburgh, the festival includes a three-day amateur tourney open to players of all handicaps, as well as an invitation to play historic nine-hole Musselburgh Links with old-style hickory clubs.

Generally recognized as the oldest golf course in the world, Musselburgh Links hosted the Open Championship six times between 1874 and 1889.

It's said that Mary, Queen of Scots, a monarch as passionate about the game as her subjects, teed it up there in 1567.

COMPASS Holidays
905-695-2229
general@compassholidays.net
visit www.compassholidays.net
60 West Wilmot St., Unit 1, L4B 1M6
TICO No:467111
Special Package
Summer Europe Specials
France, Switzerland, Vatican, Monaco, Italy
12 days
Europe tour for 5 countries
Package Inclusions:
- Round trip international airfare
- Accommodation
- Daily breakfast as per itinerary
- Sightseeing ad orientation tours included in the itinerary
- Daily transportation on modern air-conditioned coaches
- English speaking guide
Guaranteed Departure Date:
June 02/ July 28/ Aug 04 from CAD $1549 /per person+taxes
Recommend Package
Pick & Mix Europe CoachTours
Package Inclusions:
- Guaranteed weekly departure
- Fixed price
- Three different tour lines to choose from
- En-route or add on tour can be combined
From EUR $73 /per person/per day

## TRAVEL NOTES CRYSTAL DELIGHTS AND ECUADOR HIGHS



**The Crystal Dome sparkles in Swarovski Kristallwelten, Austria.** CONTRIBUTED

### Sparkling reno

The world-famous Swarovski Crystal Worlds (Swarovski Kristallwelten) in Wattens, Austria, has re-opened after a $45-million expansion, just in time for its 20th anniversary, and the 120th anniversary of Swarovski itself. International architects and designers took part in creating a new park with new installations and buildings, redesigning many others. Visit Kristallwelten.Swarovski.com.

**San Rafael Falls thunders down in Ecuador.** CONTRIBUTED

### Bucket List: Ecuador

This South American country is like four places in one: You get the Pacific coast, the Andes Mountains with its active volcanoes, the Amazon rainforest packed with wildlife, and the iconic Galapagos Islands, all in one package. Hike along a crater lake, take a chocolate tour or brave the steep train ride down Devil's Nose. Visit Ecuador.Travel.

DOUG WALLACE

# 4 EUROPEAN CASTLES TRAVELLERS SHOULDN'T MISS

ON THE MOVE
Loren Christie

It may be not be an actual medical diagnosis, but travellers to Europe often complain of castle fatigue. The best prescription is to avoid the crowds and hype and visit hidden gems.

PETER REMUS

## 1 Eltz Castle

The 850-year-old Eltz Castle is one of only two castles in Germany that were never damaged by war. Sitting on a steep rock in a hidden wooded valley close to the Moselle river, the castle is adorned with 15th-century murals and original furniture. Take note of the carved rose above the doorway in the dining room; the rose of silence ensured anything said in the room would be kept in confidence.

## 2 Château d'Angers

Château d'Angers was founded in the ninth century and expanded to its current size in the 13th century. In the heart of Angers, France, this austere castle is surrounded by a massive moat with deer living in it and is home to the oldest and largest collection of medieval tapestries in the world. The 14th-century Apocalypse Tapestry is considered one of France's priceless treasures.

FLICKR: YOURTE CONTEMPORAINE

PETER REMUS

## 3 State Castle and Chateau Český Krumlov

The State Castle and Chateau Český Krumlov, three hours south of Prague in the Czech Republic, is on UNESCO's World Cultural Heritage Monuments list. Erected on a rock promontory over the Vltava river, the massive complex consists of 40 buildings and palaces situated around five castle courts and a park spanning seven hectares. Take the castle's self-guided audio tour and then head into the town below for a cup of mead at the Two Marys pub and restaurant.

FLICKR: COANRI/RITA

## 4 Paleis Het Loo

Paleis Het Loo, in the Dutch town of Apeldoorn, is a former royal residence occupied for three centuries by the royal family of the Netherlands. The interior is full of royal artifacts, starting with the palace's first inhabitants, Willem III, stadholder-king, and Queen Mary II of England. It is fascinating as it was only recently vacated and turned into a museum. The 17th-century gardens are reminiscent of Versailles.

metro SPORTS

Contract talks between the Heat and Dwyane Wade have reportedly stalled

WEEKEND, May 29-31, 2015

## FIFA VOTE

**Canada Soccer will vote against Blatter**

Canada will not vote for beleaguered incumbent Sepp Blatter in Friday's presidential vote at the FIFA Congress.

Victor Montagliani, president of the Canadian Soccer Association, says Canada will cast its ballot for the only other candidate — Prince Ali bin al-Hussein of Jordan.

Montagliani says Canada cannot support the current political leadership of FIFA.

"The organization needs a definite change, a refresh," Montagliani told The Canadian Press from Zurich. "And I think we need to govern the game in a better way.

"And this is also a comment to the FIFA Executive Committee. It's not just about one person. The game deserves better. Period."

Montagliani said the decision not to support Blatter was finalized at a Canadian Soccer Association board meeting Thursday.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

**Victor Montagliani**
GETTY IMAGES

# Lightning don't care for Rangers' Game 7 history

NHL PLAYOFFS

## New York hasn't lost seventh, deciding match at home rink

The legend of Madison Square Garden doesn't intimidate the Tampa Bay Lightning. Neither does the New York Rangers' recent streak of Game 7 victories there.

"It's still the same game, still the same measurements of any other rink," defenceman Victor Hedman said.

Lightning coach Jon Cooper won't pull out the measuring tape like Gene Hackman did in the movie Hoosiers to show that The World's Most Famous Arena has a 200-by-85-foot ice surface, just like every other NHL arena. He and his players are distancing themselves, however, from the Rangers' Game 7 success and hope to end that run Friday night with a trip to the Stanley Cup final at stake.

"We haven't been a part of that history, so it doesn't affect us," Cooper said on a conference call Wednesday. "I guess you look back and it's an impressive feat to see what they've done. But they haven't done it against our group and our team, and we've got a pretty young, confident group."

Tampa Bay's confidence stems from its 3-1 record at Madison Square Garden this season, including two victories in three tries so far in the Eastern Conference final. Hedman called it a "hostile environment" and a tough building to play in but boasted that the Lightning are comfortable playing there.

So are the Rangers, especially in high-pressure situations. They've played a Game 7 four times at MSG dating back to 2012, and won 2-1 each time.

They beat the Washington Capitals in overtime last round, the Philadelphia Flyers last year and the Ottawa Senators and Capitals in 2012.

"Game 7s are so exciting to play on that ice, and the fans seem to just absolutely light that building up," New York centre Derek Stepan. "You play all year to get home-ice advantage, and that's what we're able to do this year."

All-time, the Rangers have never lost a home Game 7.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

**Rangers goalie Henrik Lundqvist stops a shot from Lightning right-winger Ryan Callahan as James Sheppard defends during Game 6 of the Eastern Conference final on Tuesday night in Tampa.** PHELAN M. EBENHACK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

**0.97**

**Henrik Lundqvist is 6-1 with a 0.97 goals-against average and .966 save percentage in Game 7 situations**

## IN ANAHEIM

**Ducks and Blackhawks to square off one last time**

Two weeks of extraordinarily high-level hockey in the Western Conference final conclude at the Honda Center on Saturday night when the Anaheim Ducks and the Chicago Blackhawks play Game 7 for a trip to the Stanley Cup final.

Both teams used Thursday for travel and mental preparation for the big finish after Chicago staved off elimination with a 5-2 victory in Game 6.

"It's for sure the most exciting series I've ever been a part of personally," said Ducks defenceman Francois Beauchemin, a Stanley Cup champion with 96 games of NHL playoff experience.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEMORIAL CUP

# Verrier, Remparts capsize Oceanic

Jerome Verrier scored twice and the Quebec Remparts turned the tables on the Rimouski Oceanic with a 5-2 victory in the tiebreaker game at the Memorial Cup on Thursday night.

Adam Erne, Anthony Duclair and Marc-Olivier Roy also scored for Quebec, which had lost its six previous meetings with Rimouski at the Pepsi Colisee including a 4-0 defeat on Wednesday night in round robin play. THE CANADIAN PRESS

**The Remparts' Aaron Dutra, left, and the Oceanic's Jeremy Lepine collide on Thursday night.** THE CANADIAN PRESS

## IN BRIEF

**Tom Thibodeau receives walking papers from Bulls**

In five seasons under Tom Thibodeau, the Chicago Bulls soared to heights they had not reached since Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen were collecting championships.

They never got to the top with him and now he is out.

The Bulls fired Thibodeau on Thursday, parting ways with league's coach of the year in 2011. He went 255-139 (a .647 winning percentage) in his five seasons.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Sharks hire Peter DeBoer as their new head coach**

The San Jose Sharks have officially hired former New Jersey and Florida coach Peter DeBoer to replace the departed Todd McLellan.

The team made the announcement at a news conference Thursday.

The decision to hire DeBoer ends a lengthy search that started April 20 when the team and McLellan announced that he would not be back for an eighth season in San Jose.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

# Bylsma fills Sabres' coaching vacancy

A week after losing out on Mike Babcock, the Buffalo Sabres went with another experienced Stanley Cup winner by hiring Dan Bylsma to become their next coach.

The hiring was announced Thursday, after the former Pittsburgh Penguins coach spent a second consecutive day meeting with Sabres owners Terry and Kim Pegula and general manager Tim Murray in Buffalo.

Because Byslma was still under contract with Pittsburgh after being relieved of his duties a year ago, the Sabres were expected to send the Penguins a future draft pick in exchange for the coach, whose contract with the Penguins ran through June 2016. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Dan Bylsma**
GETTY IMAGES

# Golden advice for our sprinters

PAN AM GAMES

## Olympic champ Bailey says athletes should revel in T.O. love

Donovan Bailey poses with Pachi, the Pan Am Games mascot, on Thursday at Nathan Phillips Square. LIZ BEDALL/METRO

CARLO ALLEGRI/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

> **We were dominant in the sport.... We were not the stepbrother, we were the king.**
>
> Donovan on the mid-'90s golden age of Canadian sprinting

Former Olympic 100-metre champion Donovan Bailey knows just how important the support of a home crowd can be at a big event.

He used it to his advantage in one of the more infamous races in sprinting history.

Bailey, at Nathan Phillips Square Thursday for the Pan Am Games podium unveiling, recalled his 1997 showdown with American Michael Johnson in a rare 150-metre race at the then-SkyDome. A partisan crowd cheered Bailey to a victory that made him the unequivocal world's fastest man.

"It was a victorious day, a day etched in the memory of Canadians that I'm reminded of every time I walk out in public," Bailey said.

Oakville's Bailey won Olympic gold in the 100 metres at the 1996 Atlanta Games while Johnson took the 200-metre crown. Bailey also helped win Olympic relay gold.

There is also some great potential in the current crop of Canadian sprinters. Bailey said rising star Andre De Grasse has caught his attention.

**9.84**

**Donovan Bailey's world record in 1996 was 9.84 seconds. Jamaica's Usain Bolt holds the current 100-metre mark of 9.58 in 2009.**

"He's extremely talented and he's hungry," Bailey said.

De Grasse recently broke the Canadian record in the 200 metres and ran the 100 in 9.97 seconds, the fastest time clocked by a Canadian in 16 years.

Nearly two decades have passed since that 150-metre race, when Bailey jumped out to an early lead and left a limping Johnson behind when the American slowed down with a leg injury.

"It was a good fun day for the 55,000 people who came and watched me win," Bailey said.

The Pan Am venue at York University will be much more intimate with a capacity of 12,000.

"When you can look into the stands and you can see family and friends and teammates and coaches, I think it makes it a little easier," Bailey said.

With De Grasse's hometown of Markham just a short drive away from the Pan Am venue, it should be an electric atmosphere for one of the showcase events of the Games.

"He trains and competes in a pressurized system every day," Bailey said. "So I think that it'll be easy for him. He's just got to stay relaxed, run his race and bring back a gold medal and hopefully a nice Canadian record. It'd be good."

The Pan Am Games will be held July 10-26. The Parapan Am Games are set for Aug. 7-15.

THE CANADIAN PRESS


metro Service Directory To advertise contact Ian March at 416-443-4388

PSYCHIC

Famous Indian Astrologer & Psychic
MASTER GURU RAGHVENDRA
Specialist : Palm Reading, Face Reading
Expert in Past, Present & Future
TAKE RIGHT DECISION, RIGHT TIME, RIGHT PERSON
Passed down from Generation to Generation
Removes Problems like Money, Court
Love, Business, Education, Depression
Enemy, Sexual, Health, Marriage Job
Removes Black Magic, Evil Spirits & Gives 100% Protection
Powerful & Godgifted Spiritual Healer.
He can Handle all kinds of Problems
647-713-9399 1062 Albion Rd Etobicoke M9V 1A7
ALBION & ISLINGTON, INSIDE POOJA HUT

World Famous Spiritualist
Pandit: BHAVANI SHANKAR
He can Handle Impossible Problems
He can Solve all Problems
Marriage, Love, Education
Kids, Health, Job, Business, Court,
100% Guaranteed Results
Money, Sexual, Divorce, Enemy
Family Prob., Property Etc
All Religions Welcomed
Removes Black Magic,Witchcraft,Evil Spirit, Obeya,
Bad Luck, Jadoo & Gives 100% Life-Long Protection
647-739-7159 5010 Steeles Ave.W Etobicoke, M9V 5C6
#7, INSIDE DOLLAR PLUS, NEXT TO UDHAYAS
KIPLING & STEELES

KALI MATA ASTROLOGER & LOVE PSYCHIC
GURUJI ARVIND
Most Experienced & Senior Person Removing Black Magic
Marriage * Husband-Wife Prob
Job * Relationship * Kids Prob * Business * Spiritual
Evil Effects * Enemy * Court * Property * Family Etc
Specialist In Bringing back Loved Ones
Meet him once & See your Future changing 100%
Removes Black Magic, Jadoo, Voodoo, Obeya,
Buttu and Gives 100% Lifelong Protection
647-740-9998 2857 Lawrence Ave E, #9, Scarborough M1P 2S9
(BRIMLEY & LAWRENCE)

ISLINGTON ASTROLOGER & PSYCHIC
MASTER: RAGHAV
ANY KIND OF PROBLEM, REMOVED IN 3 DAYS
100% GUARANTEE
KNOW YOUR PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE
Financial Matters * Business * Education * Marriage * Job
Husband-Wife * Sexual * Depression * Divorce * Love
Health * Wealth * Money * Jealousy * Relationship etc
100% Removal of Black Magic, Jadoo, Voodoo, Jinn etc
Hand Reading $5
FREE READING ON SUNDAYS
2644 Islington Ave., Etobicoke
647-338-9961 M9V 2X5 (Islington & Albion)
TIME: 10 AM - 9 PM

SPIRITUALIST OMAR
Very Powerful Spiritualist, Medium and Healer with a Special Gifted Power to:
- Reunite loved ones, marriage and family.
- Good luck in finding lasting soul mates.
- Help with erectile dysfunction.
- Help with court cases.
- Lucky charm for individuals and business.
- Helps with children and family problems.
- Protection against enemies and evil spirits.
- Helps relieve negative energy.

Thank you Omar for bringing my boyfriend back in my life. We are in a much better place now...we no longer argue and he is very sweet and kind to me. - LISA
CONFIDENTIAL Payment after results
100% guaranteed
647-707-2315

World Spiritual Astrologer & Psychic
Pandit: SRI SAI
I AM BORN TO SERVE PEOPLE
ALL RELIGIONS WELCOMED
100% GUARANTEE
Business * Love * Marriage * Education * Job * Health
Money * Children Mistake * Court * Husband Wife
Relationship * Sexual & Personal Matters Etc
Removes Black Magic & Gives 100% Life long Protection
Call: 647-272-3586
2895 Derry Rd East, Mississauga ON L4T 1B5 (Airport & Derry)

SHIVA DURGA ASTROLOGER & PSYCHIC
WORLD FAMOUS ASTROLOGER
SERVING FROM 9 GENERATIONS
Pandit: DHANRAJ
Very special in removing Black magic, Bad Luck, Kala Jaadu Tona, Voodoo, Obeya, Witchcraft & gives Life Long Protection
Financial matters * Job * Family Problems * Love
Education * Marriage Problems * Children Problem
Husband & Wife * Depression * Enemy Problems
Specialist in Fixing Difficult cases with 100% Solutions
NO LIFE WITHOUT PROBLEMS, NO PROBLEMS WITHOUT SOLUTIONS
647-532-2158 2872 Ellesmere Rd, Scarborough
ON M1E 4B8, (Inside Daisy Mart), Beside Subway, (ELLESMERE & NEILSON)
Speaks English, Hindi, Tamil

SHIVA PARVATI ASTROLOGICAL & PSYCHIC CENTER
Pandit: SHIVA KRISHNA
Most Powerful Spiritualist from India
Problems....? Worries End Here
LOVE * MARRIAGE * BUSINESS * JOB * EDUCATION * HEALTH
DIVORCE * COURT * CHILD MISTAKE * JEALOUSY * MONEY
DEPRESSION * PERSONAL MATTERS * SEXUAL PROBLEMS ETC
Master in Removing Black Magic, Jaadu, Obeau, Witchcraft & Gives 100% Life-Long Protection
Any Problems...Immediate Solutions 100% GUARANTEE
416-454-7835 1885 Finch Ave W Toronto ON M3N 2V2
(Inside Nature's Alternate HealtH Food)
JANE & FINCH MALL JANE & FINCH

KURUDUMALE GANESHA ASTROLOGER
World Famous Indian Astrologer
Pandith: Vinayak
PALM READING · FACE READING · HOROSCOPE
Master in Removing Black Magic
Jadoo, & Gives 100% Protection
Job, Business, Love, Marriage, Court, Health, Depression etc
IMMEDIATELY RESULT & GET LIFELONG PROTECTION
647-465-1194
2656 Islington Avenue, Toronto, Ont. M9V 2X5
(Upstairs Nailek Beauty Salon - Islington Avenue & Albion Road)

African Marabut Spiritualist
MR ABDULIE
Clairvoyant Medium
Specializes in - Old Traditional
African Occult Activities
Solves your Emotional Problems. Brings Love Back in Marriage. Reunites Lost Lovers
Cast out Evil Spirits. Provides Protection.
Success in Jobs, Business, & Court cases
Discreet & Confidential
Fast & Effective Results
100% Satisfaction
Call for appointment 416-784-1322

## FINANCIAL


**OVERWHELMED BY DEBT?**
CALL THE Licensed Debt Professionals™
GET OUT OF DEBT!
- Avoid Bankruptcy
- 1 Low Monthly Payment
- No Interest Charges
- Stop Collection Calls
- Government Licensed Proposal Administrators

David Sklar, CPA, CA, CIRP, Trustee

FREE Consultation 310-9200
(NO AREA CODE NEEDED)
DAVID SKLAR & ASSOCIATES INC.
Licensed Proposal Administrators & Trustee in Bankruptcy
HEAD OFFICE: 245 FAIRVIEW MALL DRIVE, SUITE 720, TORONTO, ON, M2J 4T1
NORTH YORK • TORONTO • PICKERING / AJAX • MISSISSAUGA / ETOBICOKE • BRAMPTON
www.DavidSklar.com

CALL ERIKA
(LICENSED DEBT EXPERT)
STOP COLLECTION CALLS
GET DEBT RELIEF NOW!
Reduce or Eliminate Tax Debt too.
Stop Garnishments and Court Actions
*Debt Proposals, Debt Counselling, Avoid Bankruptcy*
Call NOW to talk with a Government-Licensed Expert
**Low income? No problem! Ask about our affordable, very low fee to get Debt-Free.**
We're here to help. Friendly, Caring Professionals.
**Free consultation. Same day appointments.**
1-877-332-8416
416-288-8048
Scarborough (Main office), Weston, Brampton, Oshawa, Mississauga (Pt Credit)
Rusinek & Associates Inc Trustee in Bankruptcy www.rusinek.ca

WANT YOUR DEBT GONE?
WELKERANDCOMPANY.COM
WE'RE HERE TO HELP
✓ Erase your debt ✓ Stop collection calls ✓ Avoid bankruptcy
✓ Reduce your stress ✓ Stop garnishments ✓ Get a fresh start
FREE CONSULTATIONS
647-793-6411
MAIN OFFICE: 1969 WESTON ROAD, TORONTO
TORONTO | BRAMPTON | MISSISSAUGA | SCARBOROUGH | BARRIE
WELKER AND COMPANY
Federally Licensed: Proposal Administrator & Trustee in Bankruptcy

LOWEST RATES for bad credit loans since 1984
Need a loan?
FAST Same day loans
Personal loans ▸ Up to $5000 (1 yr on job; $18/hr.min.req.)*
Car paid off? ▸ Up to $20,000 (car 6 years or newer)*
Open loans. Pay off early. Get refund.
416 634-2026 *Call for details and conditions
PrudentLoanApprovals.com A division of Prudent Financial Services

TOO MANY BILLS... ...GET A FRESH START!

Bankruptcy • Proposals
Debt Counselling
416-740-5400
Toronto • Rexdale
Etobicoke • North York
Don Mills • Bloor West
Scarborough
KEVIN THATCHER & ASSOCIATES LTD.
TRUSTEE IN BANKRUPTCY
905-273-6300 Mississauga • Brampton
1-888-329-5198 www.billfixer.com
FREE CONSULTATIONS
EVENING APPOINTMENTS
FLEXIBLE PAYMENTS
Head Office: Rexdale, others non-resident

DEBT RELIEF
*Are you drowning in debts?*
I can help you...
- Consolidate debts, no interest
- Settle your debts without a bankruptcy
- Stop collection calls and garnishments
- Get rid of tax debts and court actions

NONA KUMAR
*Estate Administrator*
Credit Counsellor
Free Consultation: 416.455.7709
Evenings and weekends appointment also available
**Rumanek & Co. Ltd.** Administrators of Proposals, Trustee in Bankruptcy & Debt Consolidation Arrangements: Head Office in North York, ON. Offices in Scarborough & Mississauga.


## EDUCATION


BECOME A PERSONAL SUPPORT WORKER

647-559-3965 • 416-969-8845
Financial Assistance May Be Available to Those Who Qualify
Second Career Training Funding May Be Available
FREE Instructor-Led English Classes
WWW.AOLTORONTO.COM
Academy of Learning Career & Business College (Bay/Bloor) is registered as a Private Career College under the Private Career College Act 2005 and is operated by 1068195 Ontario Inc.

ANDERSON COLLEGE OF HEALTH, BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY
Become a Medical Lab Technician
Program Includes Practicum

Financial Assistance May Be Available to Those Who Qualify
Second Career Funding Available to Those Who Qualify
FREE Instructor-Led English Classes
647.691.0669 • 416.466.6107 • andersoncollege.com
Robotech Institute Inc. o/a Anderson College of Health, Business and Technology is a Registered Private Career College under the PCC Act 2005.


## RECRUITMENT


McEwan GROUP
We are currently looking for dedicated, production and catering cooks for our Don Mills and new downtown Toronto location. Flexible availability preferred. Ability to work in high volume environment. Professional appearance is important.
Please email us at **info@mcewanfoods.com**

MORTGAGE APPROVED!
- 1st and 2nd Mortgage for any purpose.
- Refinance to 87%. Purchase to 95%.
- With rates at historic lows, now is the time to re-finance your home!
- Consolidate cards into 1 payment
- Self-employed? Stated income.
- Good and bad credit are welcome!
- Behind in Mortgage Payments?

WE CAN HELP!
HOMELAND MORTGAGE
416-519-3505 OR 647-273-5626
WWW.HOMELANDMORTGAGE.ORG
License # 11991


## PSYCHIC


#1 Astrologer & Psychic
PANDIT: SAHDEVO
Solves Problems related to Love
Children, Business, Job, Money
Health, Family, Depression, Etc
100% Removing Black Magic * Evil Spirits * Obeya * Voodo * Bad Luck
NOBODY CAN BREAK MY WORK
Call for Most Accurate & Honest Guidence to Solve your Problems
416-303-3439
67A Dundas St. W, Mississauga, Royal Jewellers Upstairs, DUNDAS & HWY 10

How's the news today?
Join our Online Reader Panel and help make your **Metro News** even better. Join for a chance to win a $25 gift card.
metronews.ca/panel
metro

MR Debt Solutions Up to 85% debt reduction.
We GUARANTEE to Beat Anyone's Offer by 25% OR We Work for FREE.*
Pay ZERO INTEREST Free $100 Gift Card*
• Free Credit Check* • Home Service Available • Trustees represent your creditors, we represent you. • Private Loans*
MISSISSAUGA • NORTH YORK • BRAMPTON • SCARBOROUGH
416.424.1510
www.mrdebtsolutions.com
*Conditions Apply


## PSYCHIC


ITS MY CHALLENGE, NOBODY CAN BREAK MY WORK
MISSISSAUGA ASTROLOGER
MASTER YOGI
Removes Any kind of Black Magic in 24 HOURS
Solutions: Jadoo, Voodoo, Obeya & Gives solutions for Family, Depression, Kids, Money, Job etc
HE CAN CLEAR ANY PROBLEM
647-768-7633
105 A Dundas St. E, Mississauga (Hwy 10 & Dundas), Next to DOLLARAMA

PSYCHIC SPIRITUAL ADVISOR MONA
I restore luck and happiness and will call out your friends and enemies by name. I will tell you your past as it was, your present as it is, and your future as it will be. 40 years experience. Superior to all others.
CALL FOR 1 FREE READING!
416-222-8201
9am-9pm
Yonge/Finch

India Specialist Psychic & Fortune Teller
GUARANTEE, 100% SATISFATION
MASTER JAI DEVA GURUJI
Generation to Generation
*Handles Impossible problems*
Helps in Health, Depression, Job, Love, Marriage, Husband-wife Divorce, Enemy, Jealousy, Children
CALL MASTER
Removes Black Magic, Evil spirits, Jadoo & Gives 100% Protection
647-669-1729
1672 Jane St Toronto M9N 2S2
Opp. No Frills, Downstairs Prince Travel Service, JANE & LAWRENCE

## RECIPE Beef Hoisin Mini Meatballs

EAT LIGHT AT HOME

Rose Reisman
rosereisman.com
@rosereisman

**Ready in**
Prep time: 15 minutes
Cook time: 13 minutes

**Ingredients**
Meatballs
- 8 oz extra-lean ground beef
- 3 Tbsp dry bread crumbs
- 2 Tbsp hoisin sauce
- 1 tsp crushed garlic
- 1 egg
- 2 Tbsp minced green onion

Sauce
- 1/3 cup hoisin sauce
- 1/3 cup red currant jelly
- 1 tsp crushed garlic
- 1/2 tsp minced fresh ginger
- 2 Tbsp water

Garnish
- 2 Tbsp chopped green onion
- 2 Tbsp chopped fresh cilantro

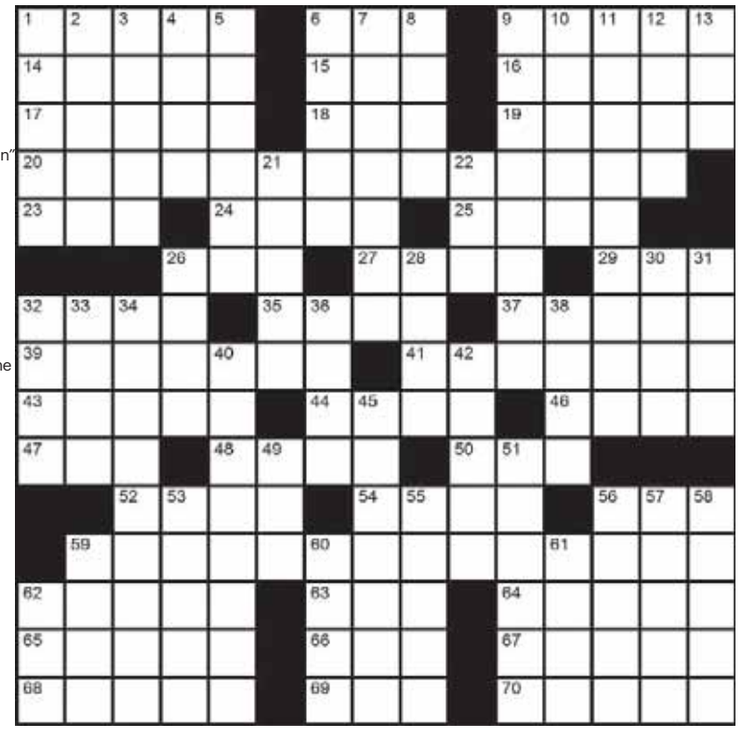
**Directions**
**1.** For the meatballs, combine the beef, bread crumbs, hoisin sauce, garlic, egg and onion. Form into 20 to 24 meatballs, about one inch in diameter.
**2.** Spray a large non-stick skillet with cooking oil and add the meatballs. Cook over medium-high heat for three minutes, turning until browned on all sides.
**3.** For the sauce, combine the hoisin sauce, jelly, garlic, ginger and water in a small bowl. Add to the meatballs and stir well. Cover and simmer on low heat for 10 minutes.
**4.** Serve garnished.

**Nutrition per serving (recipe serves 6)**
- Calories 150
- Protein 8.1 g
- Total fat 4.2 g

PHOTO: ROSE REISMAN

## CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



**ACROSS**
1. Burdens
6. "Oy!"
9. Cavalry weapon
14. Go faster: 2 wds.
15. Montreal airport code
16. "As Sure as the Sun" singer Ms. Holcomb
17. Spatial
18. __ Cool (Green Day drummer)
19. A Lesson from __ (Athol Fugard play)
20. 1984 Culture Club chart-topper: 2 wds.
23. 'Insist' suffix
24. "__ So Cold" by The Rolling Stones
25. Word's history [abbr.]
26. Vitality
27. "Thanks, __ you one."
29. Some univ. degrees
32. Simon Cowell's entertainment company
35. __ __ amazing job (Perform well)
37. Prefix to 'saurus' (Plated-back dino)
39. Canadian jewellery store founded in 1919
41. Alberta hamlet bringing to mind Toronto's province when written out
43. "It's __ Paper Moon"
44. Money __ __ object
46. "__ Rhythm"
47. Blood-sucker, when doubled
48. Decorative tabletop piece
50. Actor Mr. Knight, et al.
52. "The Beverly Hillbillies" star, Max __ Jr.
54. Entr'__ (Theatre break)
56. Collagen target
59. Getting ready, having tea and toast, catching the bus...: 2 wds.
62. Dieter's lost amount
63. Music Dr.
64. Cake creator
65. High nest, variantly
66. Some batteries
67. Overwork
68. Rattan furniture maker
69. Driving distances [abbr.]
70. Baseball inning

**DOWN**
1. "My Side" Canadian rapper
2. Aired again
3. Fend off
4. Island of the Marianas
5. 1984 Tom Hanks/Daryl Hannah movie
6. Village in northwestern Alberta
7. Combo continent
8. Original matter, in Cosmology
9. Canadian dairy products brand
10. Between-buildings-spot
11. Business channel coming to Canada
12. Zippo ...mais en francais
13. poet mr. cummings'
21. Scold
22. "Thaat's grooss!"
26. Use the Xerox
28. __ empty stomach: 2 wds.
30. Currency exchange fee
31. Chimneysweep's swept stuff
32. Fleck
33. Cravings
34. Winnie-the-Pooh: Lieutenant Harry __, V.S. (Canadian veterinarian who gave the bear 'Winnipeg' to the London Zoo in WWI)
36. Medical condition suffix
38. Mai __ (Cocktails)
40. Air freshener scent
42. Fingers-crossed ticket
45. Canadian distiller, Joseph E. __ (b.1841 - d.1919)
49. Tycoon Mr. 'O'
51. Sandwich sort
53. Mr. Schwarzenegger, to fans
55. Salad green
56. Equate
57. Torpid
58. City in Australia
59. Canadian stage actress Ms. O'Connell
60. Fargo, _. __.
61. Tony Danza sitcom
62. Bench press muscle, briefly

## IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

**Aries** March 21 - April 20
Although you always look so self-assured, you have doubts just like everyone else and some of them could get serious today. Your best course of action is to carry on as if you don't have a care in the world.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21
Focus on what comes easy and resist calls to get involved in things you know little about. You are at your best when in control, while others may say that is boring you really don't mind. Boring pays the bills.

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21
You will get some good news today. Actually, the news itself may be nothing special but it will confirm that your recent worries were groundless — as, deep down, you always knew.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23
Reality is overrated at times and the planets suggest your fantasies will be a lot of fun over the next few days. Try to remember that not everyone shares your tastes.

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23
Don't complain too loudly if a friend plays a trick on you today — they are only getting back at you for the many tricks you have played on them. It's all in good fun, so don't be afraid to laugh at yourself.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
No matter how clever you think you are if you try to fool someone in a position of power today they will find out and you will be the one who suffers. Neptune's influence on your ruler Mercury is highly deceptive.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Some people you get along with naturally, while others you cannot bring yourself to like no matter what. One of the latter variety will try to earn your friendship today. You're not having it.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You can, if you make the effort, accomplish a lot today but the planets indicate you will prefer to take it easy and let things drift. There's no point pushing yourself if you don't feel like it.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You may find it hard to put your feelings into words today — but your body language will say it all. Loved ones can sense you need some TLC and will go out of their way to give it.

**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Certain habits are hard to break but if you tackle them one at a time there is no reason you shouldn't be successful. When getting rid of a bad habit it helps if you have a good one to take its place.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Opinions won't be in short supply today but the only advice you need is what your conscience tells you. Ignore what others say and do what you think is right.

**Pisces**
Feb. 20 - March 20
Anxiety you should have conquered long ago will make its presence felt today — this time you must deal with it. Face it head-on rather than trying to avoid it.

## CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

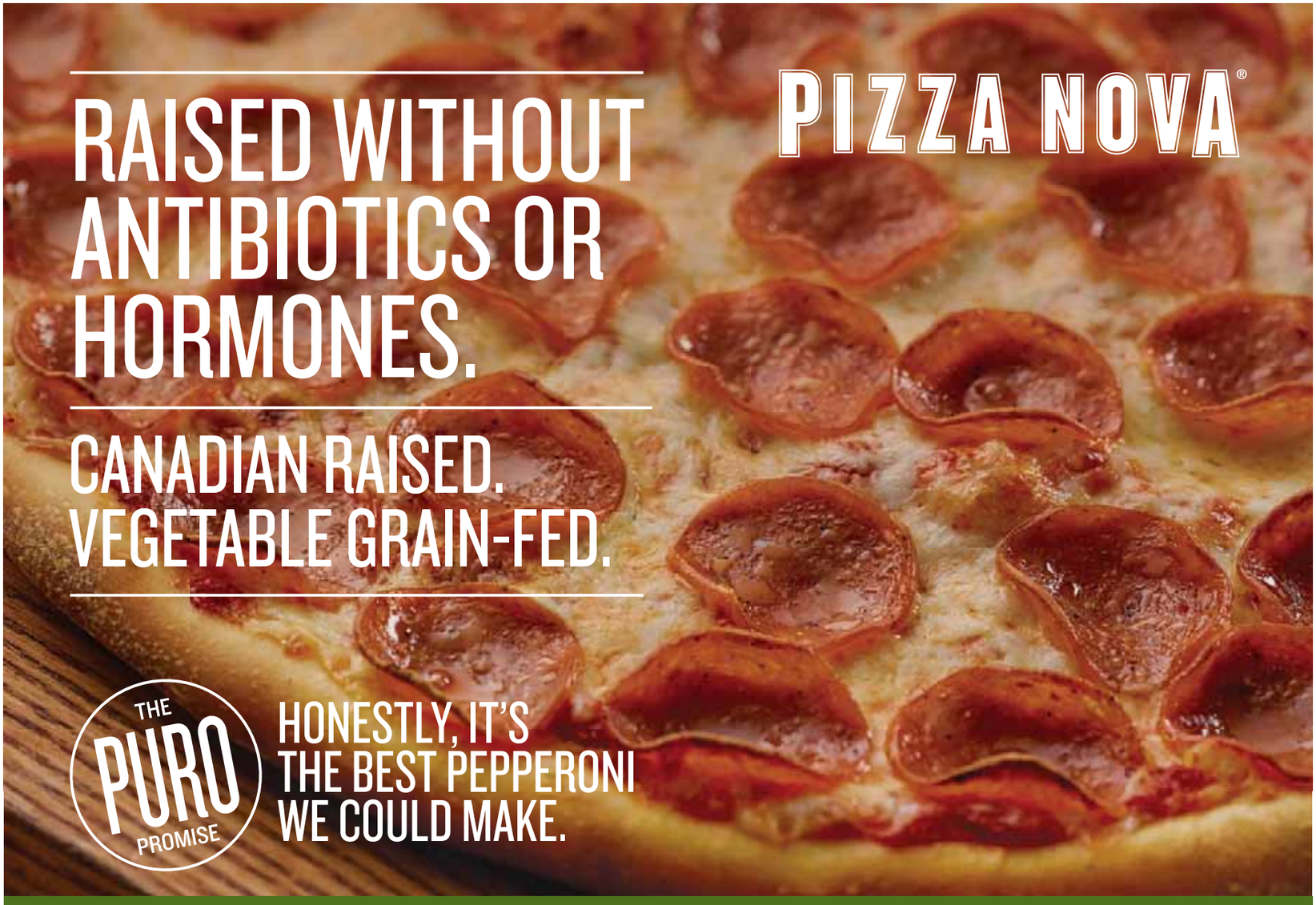
Every row, column and box contains 1-9

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | 2 | 4 | |
| 9 | | | 8 | 5 | | | 1 | |
| | 1 | 4 | | | 3 | | 5 | |
| | | | | | | | 3 | 6 |
| 5 | | | | 9 | | | | 4 |
| 7 | 2 | | | | | | | |
| | 8 | | 2 | | | 1 | 6 | |
| | 7 | | | 3 | 6 | | | 9 |
| | 4 | 6 | | | | | | |

Difficulty Level ★★

©2015 Conceptis Puzzles, Dist. by King Features Syndicate, Inc.

How's the news today?
Join our Online Reader Panel and help make your Metro News even better. Join for a chance to win a $25 gift card.
metronews.ca/panel
metro


PIZZA NOVA®
RAISED WITHOUT ANTIBIOTICS OR HORMONES.
CANADIAN RAISED. VEGETABLE GRAIN-FED.
THE PURO PROMISE
HONESTLY, IT'S THE BEST PEPPERONI WE COULD MAKE.

## PEPPERONI PERFECTED

At Pizza Nova, we're proud to announce that our pepperoni is now made without the use of antibiotics or hormones. Apart from being delicious and our most-popular topping, it's made from a mix of beef and pork that's Canadian-raised and vegetable grain-fed. Sourcing pepperoni that is made without the use of antibiotics or hormones is a pizza industry first in Canada. Honestly, it's the best pepperoni we could make.

## THE PURITY OF PURO

Our pepperoni is an example of our Puro Promise to you. Pure, or as my Nonna would say, Puro, is our pledge to source the best ingredients from reputable farmers and producers so that you get only the best. And that's just part of the picture. Puro also represents our commitment to making the freshest food possible – right down to our recipes and preparation methods.

*Domenic Primucci*

ORDER FROM
THE APP

ORDER ONLINE
PIZZANOVA.COM

WITHIN THE GTA
416 439-0000

OUTSIDE THE GTA
310-33-00
USE LOCAL AREA CODE WHERE NECESSARY

BEEF RAISED WITHOUT HORMONES. PORK IS NOT RAISED WITH HORMONES IN CANADA.